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KANSAS THETA CAPTURES SENATE SEAT

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In what the media has called an "overwhelming victory" (and a margin of 90,000 votes makes that an understatement in Kansas), Nancy Landon Kassebaum, Kappa chapter, Kansas, became the first woman to be elected to the U.S. Senate in her own right. That means that this lone woman in the Senate is the first woman to have arrived there without having originally been appointed to either the House or Senate to fill a vacancy. Nancy Kassebaum at 46, made it on her own from "scratch." The only office she had ever run for before was a position on the local school board in Maize, KS.

However inexperienced as an office-seeker, Nancy was not a newcomer to politics, described as Kansas-style conservatism. She was raised in a home where politics was a fact of life. Her father Alf Landon, twice governor of Kansas and unsuccessful Republican candidate against Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1936, retained his political eminence in the Republican party, and the Landon home remained a hub of political influence as Republican leaders streamed through their home, and politics was the usual dinner table conversation.

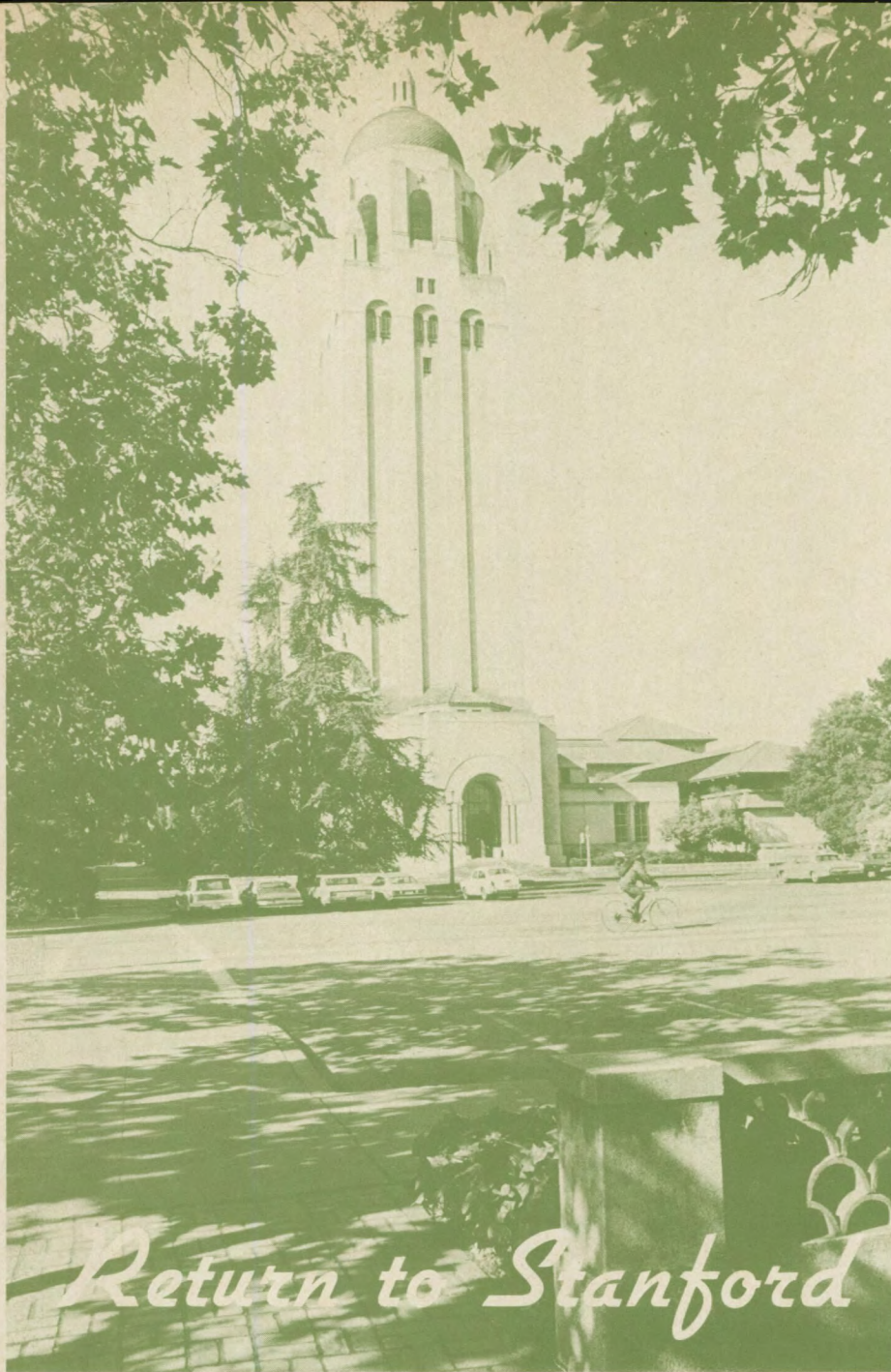
Nancy Kassebaum has four children, John 21, Linda 19, Dick 18, and Bill 16. She held traditional views of a woman's role as wife and mother but she didn't spend her days in the kitchen. She helped run several major radio stations owned with her husband, from whom she has been separated for three years, and she was active in business and political circles. She credits timing as one reason for her success . . . the right time and the right place. The office was open, the incumbent Sen. James Pearson having announced his retirement. Sixth to file in a primary field of nine, she bowled them over, but the real contest was to begin, and for Nancy it was an uphill fight as she had to learn to be aggressive.

Nancy cannot be stereotyped in the political spectrum except as a fiscal conservative, and she has not veered from her insistence on the importance of a balanced budget.

In Kansas her support for the Panama Canal treaties was controversial. Nancy believes that "different issues require different considerations at different times." She is one of the few Republicans who opposed the Kemp-Roth proposal to cut income taxes by 30 percent over the next three years, calling it inflationary, and favoring spending cuts instead. She is opposed to national health insurance and the creation of a Department of Education. She believes the federal government manages too much of our lives.

Nancy Kassebaum favored the Equal Rights Amendment, but not the extension of time for approval. Analytically then . . . regardless of your own philosophy, you must win playing by established rules.

She likes to think that Kansas voted for her as a leader, not as a political oddity, and being a leader takes hard work.



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Hoover Tower on Stanford Campus

It was indeed a weekend long to be remembered . . . for Fraternity officers responsible for taking the bold step of returning to a campus which had banned women's fraternities for 34 years, for the 46 initiates who accepted the challenge of building a strong Theta chapter, kept in an educational perspective as ordained by the trustees of Stanford University, and perhaps most of all for the Thetas of "old" Phi for whom this was a homecoming, and in the words of their spokesman, Carol Green Wilson, "like a miracle."

The original Phi chapter had its beginnings at San Jose, California, in 1889 when the campus of the University of the Pacific was located there. Two years later with the opening of Stanford University 20 miles away in Palo Alto, and coincidental decline of the University of the Pacific, six members of Phi chapter transferred to Stanford and Grand Convention voted "that the girls of Phi be allowed to take their charter to Stanford," becoming the first chapter of a women's fraternity on that campus.

For over a half century Phi chapter flourished at Stanford until 1944 when all sororities were asked to leave the University. But "old" Phi returned to the chapter roster 15 years later, this time to the institution which first honored its presence, the University of the Pacific, now relocated in Stockton, California.

Now the Phi deuterion (the second) charter is entrusted to a group of later day pioneers . . . 46 modern young women who see no conflict in "balancing university policy with needs and traditions of a national organization."



Alumnae of the original Theta chapter at Stanford attending a party in their honor are: seated l. to r. Marilyn Power Sobieski, Ruth Jordan Wilbur, Nini Utt Muhs, Carol Green Wilson, Helen Wheat, Ann Goodwin Ditz; standing l. to r. Eleanor Patten Keyes, Perry Bradford McGilvray, Jane Darsie Allstetter, Buzz Sherwood Rolph, Jane Anderson Wilson, Doris Dreusike Hastings, Liz Hind Thompson, Elcey Williams Keresey, Nancy Berry Munger and Suzanne Hepperle Peterson.

"Old" Phis Welcome Phi deutron



Charter members of Phi deutron are listed on the following page.

Phi deutron Charter Members

Seated: Shelia Lindsay, Bellevue, WA; Julie Lane, Atherton, CA; Nancy Hoffman, Menlo Park, CA; Sally Scandalios, Atherton, CA; Kelly Conner, Vacaville, CA.

Kneeling: Kristin Powell, Arcadia, CA; Ann Heidt, Encino, CA; Julie Knier, Wayzata, MN; Wendy Wallner, Anaheim, CA; Lisa Anderson, Berkeley, CA; Liz Allor, Whittier, CA; Jill Shoemaker, Rolling Hills, CA; Pam Hutchcraft, Danville, CA; Shivonne Byrne, Orinda, CA; Debbie Clark, San Marino, CA.

Standing: Mary Ann Fochek, Omaha, NE; Liz Mack, San Marino, CA; Claire Chamberlain, Palo Alto, CA; Francie Johnston, Saratoga, CA (initiated Beta Rho, Duke), Sandy Rose, Oak Park, IL; Wendy Sawyer, San Mateo, CA; Karen Askey, Northfield, IL; Kathleen Harris, Union City, CA; Leslie Sullivan, San Mateo, CA; Patty Kammerer, Hillsborough, CA; Suzanne Hernandez, La Jolla, CA; Jane Warner (Resident Counselor, Tau Northwestern); Sue Kauffman, Alamo, CA.

Back row: Amy Callery, San Marine City, CA; Jana Lindfield, Boulder, CO; Emilie Munger, Los Angeles, CA; Ann Haldeman, Los Angeles, CA; Georgia Marvinac, Waterville, ME; Deb Van Galder, Palm Springs, CA; Sara Vorshall, Evergreen, CO; Alisa Terrell, Stephenville, TX; Mary Tanner, Atherton, CA; Laurie Abbot, Palo Alto, CA; Susie Lautmann, Madison, WI.

Not pictured: Lani Dawson, Honolulu; Jacinta Pister, Lafayette, CA; Paula Mishima, Berkeley, CA; Judy Anderson, London, England; Janet Frohnmayer, Lake Oswego, OR.



New initiates Judy Anderson, left and Wendy Jalonon at the Panhellenic tea.



Pam Hutchcraft, Wendy Sawyer, and San Francisco Alumna in high spirits at the Saturday brunch in their honor.

San Francisco Thetas Honor Returning Phis and New Phi deuterons



Grand President, Marie Fitz, standing in background talks with guests at welcoming brunch held in the garden of the Atherton home of Ann Goodwin Ditz.



Emily Munger new initiate with her mother Nancy Berry Munger, Phi.

Theresa Wilbur, Phi deuteron and her grandmother, Ruth Wilbur, Phi.



New initiate Ann Haldeman and David Albin her guest at the installation banquet.

Nancy Hoffman, left, Phi deuteron chapter president and College District President, Mae Denbo Hillman, Alpha, DePauw.



Pictured at the Panhellenic tea at the home of Mrs. Theodore Lenzen in Atherton are l. to r. Lisa Anderson, Mary Tanner, Liz Allor, Jill Shoemaker.

BANQUET SCENE



L. to r. Carol Green Wilson, Phi, banquet speaker, Patricia Brandt, Advisor to Sororities at Stanford, and Marie Fitz, Rho, Nebraska, Grand President, seated at the head table.



Seated at center, Pam Hutchraft, Wendy Jalonen and Judy Anderson with family and friends at the banquet.



L. to r. at the banquet, Council member Omah Klopfenstein, Alpha Lambda, Jane Warner, Tau Northwestern, resident counselor, Council member Lynn Davis, Beta Zeta, Oklahoma State, Alumnae District President, Mary Trittipio, Alpha Mu, Missouri.



Carol McPadden, Phi, President of Palo Alto Alumnae Chapter and Installation Chairman, welcomes guests to the banquet.

"There will always be a need for tradition, for sincere caring between individuals and for loyalty to a set of shared ideals." This phrase in the speech of Phi deutron President, Nancy Hoffman summarizes the motivation that produced a new Theta chapter from "thoughts that began (almost in passing), that in fact, there is a place for sororities at Stanford."

The 46 charter members were initiated at the Omega chapter house in Berkeley, Friday evening by Grand President Marie Fitz, who also presented the charter to the new chapter following the Installation Banquet.

Sunday afternoon San Mateo alumnae were hostesses at the Panhellenic tea. Alpha Phi was the first NPC group to return to Stanford, installing last spring. Kappa Kappa Gamma followed Theta by one week and Pi Beta Phi, Chi Omega and Alpha Omicron Pi colonies are soon to become chapters.



Palo Alto alumnae at the registration table are l. to r. Diane Magri, Gloria Edwards, and Ronnie Rudolph.



A Big Year for Extension

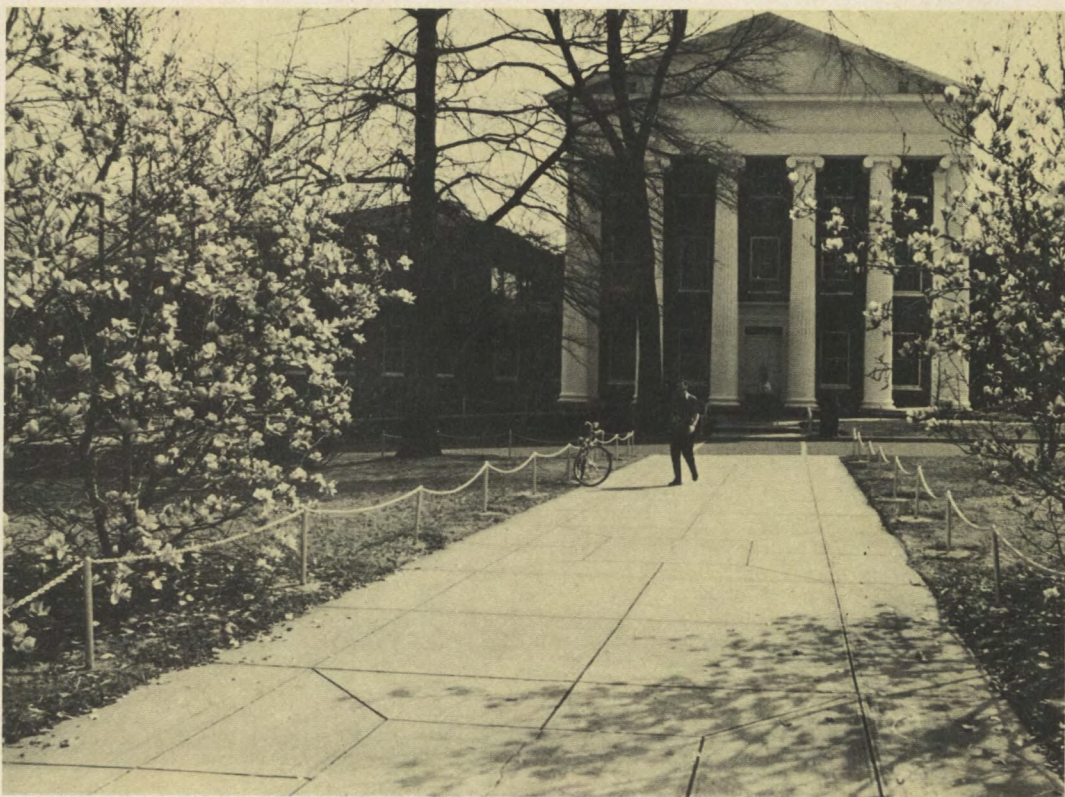
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The climate for fraternities is good . . . country-wide, and Theta's projected growth is right on schedule. From the West coast where the Stanford chapter was installed last fall, to the East coast where our return to Connecticut is buoyed by a resurgence of Greek membership, to the deep South where we have become a part of the long established fraternity system at the University of Mississippi, Kappa Alpha Theta is extending.

As this issue of the *Magazine* goes to press, twenty-five pledges of Gamma Zeta colony await initiation and rechartering of the Connecticut chapter.

At Ole Miss thirty-six pledges taken in a special Theta rush following formal rush on that campus last September, will become charter members of Epsilon Zeta. Full coverage of the installation of the two newest chapters will appear in following issues of the *Magazine*.

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The Lyceum, 1848, houses administrative offices. The building was used as a hospital by both Confederate and Union troops during the Civil War.

"Discovered" on Computer Printout

By Lynn Siegel

The founding of a new Theta chapter, Delta Phi at Clemson in 1972, revealed for the first time that one of our community's most prominent women was a Theta. On the computer membership printout of Thetas residing in the area, was the name of Mattie May Morgan Allen, well known as a leader in education and church work; an author, and active participant in the business and civic affairs of Central, South Carolina.

Mattie May Morgan was initiated into Alpha Eta chapter at Vanderbilt in 1909. The fact of her membership was not known in her locality simply because of the lack of any kind of Theta organization in South Carolina, and of course until 1972, no college chapter in the State. "I kept my memories of Theta only in my heart" said Mattie May unaware that there were other Thetas with whom to share them in that part of the country. But all this has changed, and Thetas in the Clemson area who had known Mattie May as a remarkable woman in their community, now know her as a sister.

She was an honored guest at the charter banquet at the installation of Delta Phi and when health permits she attends alumnae gatherings. Each year Delta Phi members visit her, and her photograph album of Vanderbilt days is prominent on her coffee table. Mattie May Allen is making up for the years from 1911-1972 which she refers to as her "silent years" in reference to her Theta membership. Now she has someone to share her Theta memories with.



Mattie May Morgan Allen visits with three Delta Phi officers, left, Debbie Thacker, Chapter President; right, Sharon McFadden, Vice President Efficiency; standing Lou Ann Rogers, Alumnae Relations.

Theta Member for 70 Years

The story of Mattie May is a legend in and around Central, South Carolina and Thetas there want to share her story with other Thetas.

She was born in 1885 in Central, and is living in the same house in which she was born. She has become a living legend because of her devotion to the community. After graduating from Columbia College, SC, Mattie May entered Vanderbilt University in 1909 where she became a member of Alpha Eta chapter and received a Master of Arts degree in 1911. While at Vanderbilt she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She taught English in Knoxville High School in Tennessee and then returned to South Carolina where she continued to teach in the Clemson area.

Mattie May Morgan Allen has always found time to be of service to others. Her membership in the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Daughters of the American Revolution testify to her interest in the history of our country. It was for her many years of involvement in the education, civic and religious interests of her community that the Central Branch of the Pickens County Library was named the Mattie May Morgan Allen Library in her honor.

She has written two history books: *Central Yesterday and Today*, and *The Story of Mt. Zion Methodist Church*, and for these works, she received a Certificate of Recognition from the Famous Writers School.

She still keeps in touch with a Theta friend at Vanderbilt. Ada Raines and Mattie May have not seen each other since 1911, but they have exchanged pictures and letters over the years.



Donna Kludt Messenger, Alpha Sigma

COLORADO THETA HEADED FOR BOSTON MARATHON

By Libby Frey James, Gamma deutron, Ohio Wesleyan

A Greek soldier named Phidippides is generally conceded to be history's number one messenger, but running aficionados in the Rocky Mountains west think of a different Messenger when they think of fine runners.

Donna Kludt Messenger is a 1964 graduate of Washington State University and was vice president of Alpha Sigma chapter. She has been running in the foothills of the Rockies for 10 years and for the last six has been an active competitor and frequent winner in regional races.

At age 36 Donna is completing her best year of running to date. This fall she won the *Denver Post* YMCA Marathon in Denver, breaking her own record and winning a trip to the Boston Marathon in April.

Her five hours, five minutes time stands as the all-time women's round-trip Pike's Peak Marathon record. Of that race she says, "It's really my kind of race because I train on hills all the time."

Donna ran some as a child, "in emergency situations" she says. She used to enter races at the county fair near her home in northern Idaho and use the prize money to enjoy the delights of the fair. She doesn't think this early racing has endangered her amateur status! Donna grew up on a ranch with twin brothers who included her in their sports and outdoor activities.

Donna was an all-around athlete in college but there were no opportunities, particularly for women, to run competitively. After graduation she taught physical education in Oregon. In 1968, the year that she and her husband Bill moved to Colorado, Donna took up running in earnest.

Neither the arrival of little Laurie nor the fact that she and Bill had purchased 14 acres of remote mountain land on which they planned to build a year round

home, prevented her from starting a regular running program. Bill too became interested in running and ten years later still runs every day on his lunch hour.

Ten short years ago when Donna began to run, women were still considered incapable of running long distances. It would be more than five years before they would be permitted to run in the Boston Marathon.

Unlike most of us who begin with a jog-walk around a few blocks, Donna went out and ran five miles the first time she tried it. But 10 years later, at 36, a time when some say the body begins to slow down, Donna still has not reached her full potential. She is still increasing her weekly mileage and consistently breaking her own records to achieve new personal bests race after race.

While her running accomplishments are admirable, it is her boundless enthusiasm for the sport and for life in general that inspires those with whom she comes in contact. She skillfully juggles a large and active family, a part-time job teaching physical education at Colorado State and her passion for running. "My family, my job, my running, all are important to me and my goal is to give them all equal time," she says. The five Messenger children run, encouraged by their parents for the sake of their health and because it is a common interest around which the family can focus.

What does Donna Messenger think about the current running "craze" and the gimmicky aspects that have surfaced? "I ignore it all as much as possible she says. If a gimmicky race is going to encourage more people to get out and run, then I'm all for it."

Donna is such a firm believer in the benefits of family running that she has written articles and given several talks on the subject. She is currently writing a book on family running.

INTRODUCING



Gayle Snavelly Medill



Julie Milam Champion



Nancy Raynor Hawley



Sally Cowan Reinhold

Gayle Snavelly Medill is a transplanted midwesterner, now residing in Rochester, NY and beginning a term as College District President of District V, New England and New York. A member of Tau chapter and a graduate of Northwestern University where she met her husband George, she is replacing Nancy Keith who was elected to Grand Council in June.

In Rochester where there is no Theta college chapter, Gayle found plenty of Theta work in the alumnae field. She served as alumnae chapter president and was instrumental in the transition of that alumnae club to an alumnae chapter. She has also served as the Theta delegate to the Rochester Alumnae Panhellenic.

She is a very involved member of the Rochester Junior League and is presently on its Board of Directors. Gayle Medill is also an active member of the Women's Council of the Memorial Art Gallery.

"A Champion emerges after a Fight!" quipped Lynn Fight to her successor, **Julie Milam Champion**, new Alumnae District President for District XVIII, Georgia and Florida. Julie's goal is to meet every Theta in her district. A Beta Nu, she has been active in the Orlando-Winter Park Alumnae Club fourteen years.

Besides serving as club president for two years, Julie has been *The Kite* editor for the past two Grand Conventions.

Her Theta family includes her mother Emily Martin Spofford, sister Jeanne Milam Smith, and aunt Kate Martin Owens, all Beta Nu, and four cousins.

The Champions enjoy camping with their Scouts in Florida and North Carolina. Sons Charlie and Ben are Scouts and husband Jack is their Scoutmaster. Julie is a Cadette Girl Scout Leader.

Nancy Raynor Hawley, Alpha Lambda has been appointed College District President for District XV, replacing Lynn Davis who was elected to Grand Council in June. Nancy received her BA in Spanish from the University of Washington and later earned an MA in Education.

In Spokane, Nancy has served as treasurer, recording secretary and Founders' Day Chairman for the Alumnae Chapter. Her district embraces Eastern Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alberta.

Nancy Hawley has been active in civic affairs in Spokane, involved in leadership positions in the Junior League, Co-chairman of the Spokane Ad-Hoc Landmark Commission Study Committee, and the Spokane Garden Club. Her family includes husband Bill, daughter Hilary 4½ and Rob 2½.

Sally Cowan Reinhold, Psi, Wisconsin has been appointed College District President, District VI. She replaces Judy Alexander who has become Director of Scholarship for the Fraternity.

Sally has a wide background of fraternity experience, having held the presidency of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter and been closely involved in advisory board work with the two Pittsburgh chapters, Gamma Theta at Carnegie-Mellon and Alpha Omega at Pittsburgh, where she served as chairman.

Sally and her Phi Delta Theta husband graduated from the University of Wisconsin and have lived in Pittsburgh 15 years. They have a teen-aged son and daughter. She has been a deacon in her church and active in volunteer community activities.

The Professional Volunteer

Written for the Aglaia of Phi Mu
By Adele Redditt Williamson
NPC Chairman



WANTED: Professionals in the field of law, money management, public relations, public affairs, program planning and career development. Must often work week-ends and over-time. Must work out of home. Occasional travel required. No salary available.

What if this advertisement were to appear in the classified section of our daily newspapers? We'd probably think it was a misprint or maybe even a joke. We would probably all wonder who in his right mind would answer such an ad. The truth is, that while the ad has never actually appeared, thousands of women have been answering it for years. They are the dedicated "professional volunteers" who provide their expertise and time to the 26 National Panhellenic Conference sororities.

The dictionary defines a "professional" as someone having great skill or experience in a particular field of activity. In a world that is increasingly becoming more business oriented and specialized, we often think of professional women as those confident career-oriented women in their three piece suits who sit behind large corporate desks and make important decisions daily. These women are professionals, but they make up only a small part of the world of professionals.

For those of us who have worked with the fraternity movement over the years, we realize the professional volunteer is an integral and vital part of our organizations. Many of these professional volunteers are career women who take time from their jobs to devote their expertise and talents to all areas of the fraternity.

Still others make their offices in their home, in the den or maybe a corner of the kitchen table.

Their busy days are often filled with community interests, family needs and their own interests. Their business phone is their home phone, and their pay-checks come in the form of satisfaction at seeing their fraternity's accomplishments. Their skills, their experience, their loyalty and their excellence in service all mark them as true professionals.

The volunteer as a professional has taken on new dimensions. Look for a moment beyond our (your) own sorority and think about the network of volunteers who serve as national council members, collegiate advisers, alumnae chapter members and house corporation personnel for the 26 NPC groups. Incredible, isn't it? There are actually hundreds of thousands of women providing guidance and expertise in every facet of fraternity. What would these services cost the fraternity system if these women were not "volunteers?" What if these volunteers were paid extra for the hours they spend visiting chapters, traveling, attending leadership training and making phone calls?

It's plain to see that sororities would find it almost impossible to exist without our professional volunteers. And if the sororities could exist, they would prove out of reach financially for most college women. Without their tireless efforts, enthusiasm and dedication, most of us would never have adopted a creed and set of values to guide us through our lives.

Permanent Alumnae Secretary



Here Liz Kagey keeps track of all the Thetas of Kappa Chapter

Meet Liz Kagey of Wichita — Super Volunteer

By Sue Kraft, Beta

Detective Elizabeth Kagey, permanent alumnae secretary for Kappa Chapter, always gets her Theta—even if it takes 10 years!

When you enter her “office,” as she calls an upstairs room in her home in Wichita, you can see why she has not lost one of the 1,708 Thetas who attended the University of Kansas. To the left of her desk are found phone books from Kansas City, Topeka, and other areas where Kappa Thetas live. Four gray file cabinets are within easy reach of the desk and contain the vital statistics on each Theta from KU: name, date of initiation, Theta number, year pledged, name of parents, degree, years in school, and legacy status. The files are arranged four ways—by maiden name, married name, state, and zip code—with the cards color coded for each category. There are also two thick notebooks with the KU Thetas listed alphabetically and by class, which will play an important role in KU’s Centennial in 1981.

Liz, as she is known by her friends, is also Theta state chairman for Kansas and maintains files on all Thetas in Kansas. Once they move out of the state, she can remove them from the files. For her KU Thetas, however, she updates each card and notes the source of the change.

She betrays the secret of her success—persistence when she says, “I just like to find that girl.” What started out as a task to do at home, where she could be near her lawyer husband, who was in a wheelchair, has grown into a sophisticated operation.

She gets help from the Theta Central Office through annual computer printout listings of Kappa Thetas,

which are organized by year of initiation and zip code. She also gets a printout for Thetas in the state.

She finds newspapers from around the state excellent sources of information: for births, deaths marriages, divorces and feature articles. She has also become a familiar sight at the KU Alumni Office since taking over her duties as PAS in 1963. They help her—and she helps them.

Liz finds that people are often excellent sources for finding “lost” Thetas. Her daughter in Kansas City helps her keep track of the KU Thetas in that area. Parents, former classmates, children, and friends form an information network for her.

Her secret weapon, however, is the telephone. With the increasing cost of postage, the phone is an economical source. Besides, as Liz Kagey adds, “People can’t refuse to respond to you on the phone.”

Liz is a native Kansan, born in Cawker City and raised in Beloit, where she met her husband. She attended KU in 1926 and studied Latin and Greek. Her daughter and sister attended KU and are both Thetas—Constance Kagey Vance, 1950, and Doris Rooney, 1928. She has been active in the Wichita Alumnae Chapter, serving as president and rush recommendation chairman, and has attended two Grand Conventions. She is involved in many other Wichita organizations and was treasurer of the Wichita Area Girl Scout Council for 25 years.

Elizabeth Kagey has become the most successful PAS because she is interested in Theta and the alumnae of Kappa chapter.

Become a Theta Volunteer

The Permanent Alumnae Secretary

WHO IS SHE?

WHAT DOES SHE DO?

HOW DID SHE GET THERE?

The Permanent Alumnae Secretary is the only alumna officer of a college chapter. She doesn't attend chapter meetings, but she could. She doesn't take minutes as her title implies. She is a VIC (very important cog) in the Theta machine. You became a part of her files when you were initiated, and from that time, it is her job to keep track of you. With or without your help, she will try to keep a current address for you.

Computerized chapter membership lists sent from Central Office regularly, known as the printout, and accurate reporting by the college chapter when a member graduates or leaves school are her two greatest resources. Beyond that, her own interest in keeping up and being alert to other possible sources too numerous to mention, are the characteristics of a Permanent Alumnae Secretary.

The PAS is appointed by the Alumnae District President and unlike other officers there is no statutory limit to her tenure. As her title implies, she is "permanent" and serves as long as she is willing and able. She is particularly valuable to the college chapter in assisting in communication with alumnae. She is a primary resource at annual newsletter time.

If you don't know who your chapter's Permanent Alumnae Secretary is, you can find her name in the Summer issue of the *Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

Volunteers Wanted

A Few Chapters Need a New PAS

Mu—Allegheny

Alpha Delta (disestablished)—Goucher

Alpha Epsilon (disestablished)—Brown

Alpha Zeta (disestablished)—Columbia

The following chapters are being served by devoted alumnae who would like to retire

Alpha Kappa (disestablished)—Adelphi

Beta Beta (disestablished)—Randolph Macon

Gamma Theta—Carnegie-Mellon

If you would like to volunteer to serve as a PAS for one of the above chapters, please contact Mrs. Richard Latta, 1201 W. Sunset, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056.

Two \$400 Scholarships To Be Awarded by New York City Panhellenic

New York City Panhellenic will award two \$400 scholarships to sorority women doing graduate work at a college or university in New York City area during the 1979-80 year. The grants will be made in September 1979. Those interested should request an application from S. K. Elinson, 510 Main St. A 436, New York, N.Y. 10044, and should return the completed form by August 1, 1979.

In past years, New York City Panhellenic awarded scholarships to students doing graduate work at New York University, Columbia University, Pratt Institute and Brooklyn Law School.





Traveling Consultants for 1978-79 l. to r. Edie Beier, Jennifer Polhemus, Jane Bowman, Mary Kay Hockett, Gail Gougher

Fraternity Lifestyle Fits Future Plans of College Thetas

Gail Gougher, Gamma Phi, Texas Tech. Traveling for Theta has been a rewarding experience and a real eye-opener. Different parts of the country are known for their distinct ways of life, attitudes and values, but the one similarity I have found is that Theta love and friendship is the result of a common bond which exists all over. It has been amazing to see all these groups of women striving to accomplish basically the same goals. I have come in contact with quality women who exemplify the pride, enthusiasm and dedication which is essential to the growth of a strong chapter.

During my visits, one thing I have discovered to be very encouraging is that more and more students are displaying a great interest in Greek life. I am thoroughly convinced that we should expect to see an increase in Greek membership in the future. **The college student of today is looking ahead for opportunities, achievements and advancements. Fraternity life is an excellent resource for gaining these goals, because it is a true introduction to so many different facets of life.**

Edie Beier, Beta Gamma, Colorado State. As I completed my first semester as a Theta Traveling Consultant, one of the things I observed is the improvement of scholarship in chapters I visited. I think this is due to the fact that many women in college today are there with a career goal in mind—I haven't seen any candle passings! Thetas in college this year see their fraternity experience as a valuable stepping stone in learning how to interact with people. Many Thetas see their experience in KAΘ as a growing experience. They have gained leadership skills which they will be able to apply to their own career plans.

I think more and more women today are faced with the realization that they will have to have a career in order to survive—that is utmost in their thoughts. Many Thetas I have met seem very ambitious and adventurous, and have exciting plans for their lives. The fraternity really fits well into their lifestyle. Theta has given them the opportunity to develop their personalities and leadership skills, as well as a place to relax, make lifelong friends, and meet people. Belonging to a sorority has provided them with a place where they know they have trusting friends. Partying is still important to Thetas—as well as the academics. They are doing a great job in balancing the two!

Jane Bowman, Eta, University of Michigan. Traveling around to different chapters continues to broaden my scope of the fraternity system. Kappa Alpha Theta has remained strong for over 100 years because it has grown with the times while retaining the high standards college women today are seeking. Initially women may decide to pledge Theta for a variety of personal reasons and may not realize the possibilities of such an association. They may view the fraternity system as a means for social opportunities because this is often the most visible aspect on a campus. Social opportunity alone is not the ingredient that has kept the fraternity such an influential force.

The best functioning chapters perceive Kappa Alpha Theta as an opportunity for personal development. They inspire and challenge their members to stretch themselves towards higher goals. These chapters have a sense of purpose and are made up of distinct individuals who have been able to develop a group spirit and unity. A chapter may ride on its past record for a year or two, but unless they continue working together with specific goals and standards their system will begin to deteriorate.

On many campuses though, we are again fighting the image of an organization supportive of hazing and childish pranks. Chapters taking part in such juvenile behaviors have lost sight of their original ideals. It is vital that members realize what they have committed themselves to and what they want to work towards.

Jennifer Polhemus, Omicron, University of Southern California. When starting out four months ago, I never dreamed of the breadth of experiences I would enjoy as a traveling consultant. Collegians are no longer content to just "be" Thetas. They want to make Theta, to mold it, reform it, challenge it.

Theta undergraduates in 1978 view Theta as an opportunity for personal development and I believe that trend will continue. As our educational emphasis leans towards careers, Theta's emphasis should move toward high scholarship as the primary means of attaining cultured womanhood. "High scholarship" will then mean intellectual curiosity, not necessarily high grades. Thetas have the potential for achievement in many areas. Traveling from chapter to chapter, I am more and more convinced that women in general, many of them Thetas, will help to lead our society to a better future.



Donna Lou Harper Askew, Beta Nu

Governor's Lady for Eight Years

During the past eight years, Florida's First Lady has been Donna Lou Harper Askew, Beta Nu, Florida State. While living in the Governor's Mansion in historic Tallahassee, Donna Lou has enjoyed meeting outstanding citizens, not only from her own state, but from the nation and the world. "A First Lady has many rewarding experiences but meeting these leaders ranks near the top of the list."

An honor of which Donna Lou is especially proud is the orchid that has been named for her. It will bloom for the first time this spring. Presented one of the first plants, Donna will be one of those to see her namesake bloom for the first time.

Supervising the Governor's Mansion has been Donna Lou's prime responsibility. In order to encourage citizens to have a direct interest in the Mansion, 300 women were involved in the volunteer program which assisted in planning and sponsoring various events held there.

The Askews have two children, Angela 17, and Kevin 15. The Askews have entertained successfully without using alcoholic beverages. During her husband's term of office, Donna Lou felt that she could best help her husband by taking care of family needs and providing a good home atmosphere.

According to Florida law Governor Reubin Askew is unable to succeed himself another term. The *Orlando Sentinel Star* recently praised Askew as "... one of the best chief executives in history."

Julie Milam Champion



Fifty-year Thetas attending Founders' Day at the Orange County Alumnae Club luncheon in Southern California are l. to r. Hazel Converse Decker, Beta Xi; Peg Colegrove Harrold, Fran Baker Ryder, Jane Lee McMannamy, Omicron; Jane Kendall Coon, Alpha Tau; Dorothe Smith Goode, Omicron; Mary Forssell Kramer, Upsilon.



Sandy Mensing Mossman, Gamma Pi, Iowa State of Seabrook, Texas shown with the plaque presented to her by the Clear Lake Area Panhellenic Association. The Citation Award is presented annually to a Panhellenic woman in recognition of her contribution to her own sorority, civic affairs, career and home, and to her church.

SERVICE TO COMMUNITY AND ALMA MATER



Alpha Taus awaiting results of the weigh-in. Foreground shows part of the loot.

Scrounging Pays Off for Alpha Tau

For ten weeks last fall, the eighty-eight members of Alpha Tau scoured Cincinnati in search of aluminum cans. Such activities as crawling through dumpsters and garbage cans, cleaning up along streets and highways, searching parking lots and alleys, and going to bars and restaurants every morning at 2:00 a.m. to get their garbage were part of the daily routine. We gained such a reputation as being can-crazy, that fraternities, other students and even professors saved cans for us.

What could drive the Alpha Taus to such an obsession with aluminum? The event was the Really Great Pick-Em-Up sponsored by Miller Brewing Co., the first such contest held on the University of Cincinnati campus. Alpha Tau competed against other sororities, residence halls, and other student organizations.

Our hard work finally paid off in December when we were notified that we won first place, with a total of 1,100 lbs. of cans. The prize we chose was a console color TV. Finding it impossible to quit the habit of collecting cans, the chapter has already started to save cans for the next contest, which will be held in the spring.

Christina Krohn, Alpha Tau Editor

ZARA ROLFES, PURDUE TRUSTEE



"I can't believe it!" was the initial reaction of Alpha Chi's Zara Rolfes when notified that she had been chosen as Purdue University's student trustee. The disbelief of the senior in Mechanical Engineering turned into enthusiastic participation that has not waned since her two year term began August 1977.

"I am extremely enthusiastic about this position. I think I can become a more diversified person as a result of this involvement.

With this positive attitude Zara has confronted the duties of a trustee. The student trustee, as any other member of the board finds herself facing hundreds of pages of reading before each monthly meeting. Representing Purdue at various social affairs statewide is another facet of the job.

Chosen from a field of 24 candidates by Indiana's Governor Bowen, Zara describes her first year as student trustee as one of questioning and learning. Now in her second year she feels better able to participate competently. "If you don't inquire or make a statement, you're going to get brushed aside and you're going to lose a big opportunity to learn more about your leadership potential." With such determination and vitality it is questionable whether Zara could ever be brushed aside in any aspect of life. Yet life for Zara is definitely not "all work and no play." She describes herself as a "real snow-ski bum" and also enjoys springboard diving and jogging. Zara sews, plays the piano, and still finds time for the Society of Women Engineers, Mortar Board and Omicron Delta Kappa.

But of all her campus activities Zara holds Theta closest to her heart. Nominated by Alpha Chi, she was recently awarded the Indianapolis Panhellenic Association Outstanding Senior Award, picked from senior girls presently in the Greek system in Indiana. "I view being a representative of Theta, as falling into two categories: participating in the chapter, and then carrying the name of Theta wherever you go. As a student trustee the latter representation has extended throughout the State of Indiana and I have enjoyed the role of projecting the Greek system and Theta."

For the future Zara would like to pursue a corporate managerial position, and acquire a Masters in Mechanical Engineering and a Master of Business Administration. She would also like to have a family of her own some day and credits her own family which includes her parents and three brothers as an encouraging and motivating force, and furnishing the incentive to plan her own life.

Lynn Pratt, Alpha Chi Editor

FORMER THETA TRAVELER HEADS SDSU ALUMNI

An article in *San Diego Magazine* describes Nikki Armanino Clay as a "remarkable young woman combining a strong presence with a quiet curiosity, an obvious delight in life with an energetic and positive seeking of ways to grow and get things done."

Nikki is a Theta of Gamma Sigma chapter at San Diego State, where her responsibilities as president and vice-president, and later as a Theta traveling secretary, undoubtedly provided some of the impetus and leadership training that have shaped her involvement in the affairs of the City of San Diego.

Her impact on the community cannot be taken lightly and she personifies the well prepared, well educated young woman who is also a homemaker and mother, and who considers the problems of her community, her problems, and is ready and willing to give of herself to make her city a good place for all who live there.

Nikki Clay has earned many credits and has a lot going for her as she manages successfully to wear several hats . . . one labeled government, one labeled community service, and a very special sombrero reserved for her alma mater San Diego State University. At 32, Nikki Clay serves as the president of the San Diego State University Alumni Association, an interest which was probably sparked during her undergraduate days when she was an upper division representative to the student council and a member of the Finance Board for four years. She also represented SDSU at a model UN conference and her name appeared on the dean's list four times. She was listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. In 1967 she was named the University's Woman of the Year. Nikki began her graduate work at Temple University in Philadelphia, and obtained a master's degree in public administration from SDSU with straight "A's."

The San Diego State Alumni Board claims only part of her volunteer time. She is also a board member of the Junior League, and has served on the board of the Children's Home Society.

Nikki has a full time job in city government too . . . a big job as chief of Solid Waste Operation for the city. But that's another story. This story is about "big time" volunteer work. As president of the San Diego State University Alumni Board, Nikki has reaped further honors in that field, being elected president of the Statewide Alumni Council of California State Colleges and Universities, a group which represents 19 educational institutions which serves as a liason between trustees, the legislature and the schools.

Her family claims much of Nikki's attention. It includes husband Ben Clay whom she met in her student government days at SDSU, and young son Jonathon. Besides all this, Nikki Clay plays on a women's soccer team twice a week, goes in for racquetball one day a week and is interested in Parent Effectiveness Training.



Nikki Armanino Clay



Queen Robin Ryan of Florida State and Phi Gam Dave Glicken, Homecoming Chief at Navy-FSU football game.

Robin Ryan, Beta Nu was crowned Florida State University Homecoming Queen on national television during half time at the FSU-Navy game. Robin, the chapter treasurer and Panhellenic delegate, is senior class secretary, a member of Mortar Board and Garnet and Gold Key honorary.



Dorothy Winblad

ARMY "DRAFTS" THEATRE DIRECTOR

by Dorothy B. Winblad

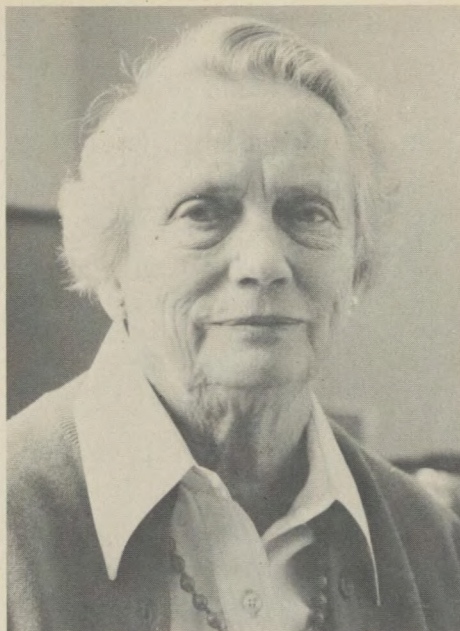
How would you like to be invited to spend the month of May touring Japan and Korea as the honored guests of the United States Army? I even heard the famous words, "Uncle Sam needs you!" and discovered that I had been selected to serve as a judge of the All-Army World Wide Festival of the Performing Arts. What a delightful way to be drafted!

My civilian designation was GS 15 which meant that the red carpet would be rolled out for me in the Orient. Upon arrival at Haneda airport near Tokyo I met the Music/Theatre Director of Honshu, our host in Japan and the three other judges in my group, Dr. Melvin White, noted author, director and educator; Mr. Edich A. Anderson, formerly Cultural Ambassador for the State Department; and Dr. Howard Rosenberg, renowned film critic, lecturer and head of the Art Department at the University of Nevada. These were to be my colleagues and companions throughout the tour.

After a rest and some sightseeing in Tokyo, five days of plays, seminars, critiques and talent showcases at Camp Zama was the introduction to our adjudication and seminar duties. Then we were off on a long flight over the Sea of Japan to Seoul. The next three weeks were filled with excitement as we traveled the entire country of South Korea. A conducted tour of Panmunjom and the war zone was a sobering, serious highlight of the entire trip. We all returned with renewed respect for the men who guard the security of our country.

In both Japan and Korea, our group was interviewed on national television. In the latter instance the television cameras were set up in my own suite for the interview and discussion of the festival.

If Uncle Sam needs me again, my suitcase is packed and I am ready to go!



*Gordon
Scroggie,
Sigma*

TRIBUTE FROM THE HEART

Sigma chapter alumnae held a reception this past year in honor of a very special Theta, Catherine Gordon McLeod Scroggie in recognition of the profound devotion, loyalty and enthusiastic support she has given to Kappa Alpha Theta during her fifty-seven years in the fraternity.

As a more lasting tribute to Gordon's honor Thetas subscribed to Sigma's favorite philanthropy and to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation. About half of the more than seven hundred dollars collected went for the purchase of an upright loom for Colbrook House, a home for physically and mentally handicapped adults; the remainder went to the Foundation.

There have been other illustrious Thetas of whom Sigma is justly proud, but no other personifies so beautifully the high ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Gordon is a woman of many interests and has a thousand friends. She is active at the university, in the community, church and fraternity and never too busy to take on another job.

Gracious, warm and energetic Gordon has the happy knack of gathering people around her. The parties at her spacious Summerhill Gardens home are famous. Theta parties are inevitably held at number 38. Her husband George, and their delightful family of two boys, two girls and eleven grandchildren are an enviable example of family life.

When asked why she had worked so tirelessly for Theta she spoke of the enrichment Theta friendships had brought to her personal life, then added, "As Toronto Alumnae is the only Canadian Alumnae group with chapter status, I felt it was worth fighting and working for after the college chapter went off campus. I have never had cause to regret this decision." What a Theta! What a woman! What a life! There is not one Sigma whose life she has not touched and influenced for the better.

Anna Hillery

Albuquerque Thetas Aid Chapter Far From Home

Warmest wishes and a scholarship check for three hundred dollars were dispatched to Phi deutron Thetas at Stanford University from Albuquerque Alumnæ Chapter.

Following thirty years of close involvement with Gamma Omicron, at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque area alumnæ had to redirect the focus of their enthusiasm and scholarship support. Knowing that Theta will flourish where campus climate permits, and believing that recolonization symbolizes the fraternity's growing spirit, they chose Phi deutron as recipient of this year's gift.

The scholarship was presented in honor of outstanding Gamma Omicron scholar, Anna Durand of Albuquerque. Anna, a Phi Beta Kappa, and 1978 graduate of the University of New Mexico, is currently studying business and law at Stanford.

It is the goal of the Albuquerque Alumnæ Chapter to continue to make funds available for the encouragement of scholastic achievement at the collegiate level.

Kathleen Yuricic

Birmingham, MI Extends Helping Hand To District III Chapters

Realizing the need for financial assistance for unexpected emergencies, generous cash contributions were made to the four college chapters in the Michigan-Ontario District by the Birmingham, MI Alumnæ Chapter.

Monetary assistance has also been given for initiation necessities.

Birmingham alumnæ have also given their skill and time in making gold polyester table cloths and napkins for each chapter house.

With the College District President a member of the Birmingham chapter, the needs of the chapters are well known and acted upon when possible.

Mildred Strong Bean

Billings Thetas Make Long Distance Effort to Help Two Montana Chapters

Proud of both our college chapters, Alpha Nu at the University of Montana, Missoula; and Delta Tau at Montana State, Bozeman, Billings Thetas are concentrating on helping Delta Tau become established at MSU. Aided by the state membership computer print-out, the Billings yearbook will list 150 area alumnæ and they hope from this list to help build the advisory and corporation boards along with the Bozeman alumnæ.

Money from the First Theta Collectibles Garage Sale purchased stainless flatware for Delta Tau—60 place settings for the size chapter they are growing to be!

Some Billings Thetas found true Theta antiques at the collectibles sale—all the more treasured. Another alumna was able to furnish a mountain cabin from her purchases. They definitely plan to have a second garage sale.

Alumnæ Focus on College Chapter Support

Bloomington Alumnæ and Beta Chapter Share Activities During the Year

Bloomington Alumnæ Chapter members and Beta chapter work together throughout the year exchanging fraternity experiences and helping each other. For the past two years, the collegiate representative to either Grand Convention or Leadership Conferences comes to the first alumnæ meeting to share collegiate perspectives with alumnæ. Later in the year, alumnæ members help with various tasks during rush, to free Beta members to get to know the rushees. In January, Founders' Day is celebrated at the Indiana University chapter house where alumnæ meet the new initiates.

In the Spring when the annual alumnæ antique show is held to raise funds for various philanthropies, Beta chapter members lend a hand, helping alumnæ in the Country Kitchen. From funds raised at the show, one or two scholarships are given to Beta members and additional funds are given to the Beta House Corporation to assist with needed repairs and redecorating.

Finally, each spring the Bloomington chapter holds an informal dinner to welcome new Beta seniors to alumnæ status with the gift of a pansy lapel pin.

Barbara Thompson

Boise Alumnæ Visit Beta Theta Chapter at Moscow

Throughout the summer, Boise Thetas helped operate the concession stands for Boise's professional baseball team, a fund raiser which proved quite profitable. In addition to 50 local Theta alumnæ and their husbands, five members of Beta Theta chapter living in the Boise area, assisted in the project.

Relations and communication with Beta Thetas at the University of Idaho were further improved by a visit from Barbara Hemmer, Boise Alumnæ Club President, and Katherine Moriarty, Editor. During the three day visit, Barb and Katherine had an opportunity to become better acquainted with the members of Beta Theta and to learn of some of the chapter's needs. As a result of the visit, Boise Thetas are planning additional fund-raising projects and have established an Auntie Mame program with the members of Beta Theta.

Katherine Moriarty

Year Around Joint Functions For Boulder—CU Thetas

Because Boulder is the home of the University of Colorado, our alumnae chapter is proud to lend its support to Beta Iota chapter. All through the year, the actives and alumnae include one another in various social engagements.

September is the time for the Alumnae Pot Luck Supper, when the chapter cabinet is invited to attend and report on rush. This year, the girls presented one of their rush skits, *Alice in Thetaland*.

October brings Homecoming and Halloween. This year with the return of floats at Homecoming, alumnae willingly furnished the financial assistance to build a float. Beta Iota classes of 1967-68-69 met at the newly redecorated chapter house for a reunion and brunch before the Homecoming game.

The annual Halloween party for Theta alumnae children is a tremendous hit! Members decorate their rooms and invite the children to trick or treat from room to room. It is the ideal solution for children who are too young to go out at night. Bobbing for apples is the highlight of the party, and the small ghosts and goblins return home with a sack full of treats.

At Thanksgiving time the alumnae host an evening pledge dessert, this year entertaining a bumper crop of 49 pledges. January begins the new year with Beta Iota chapter entertaining the alumnae at the chapter house for Founders' Day. At this meeting, alumnae present awards to Seniors who have been voted most outstanding by their classmates. Also, the senior with the highest scholarship is recognized. Then for service and example during their four years in college—each senior is presented with a small gift from the alumnae.

The Valentine's Day cookie decorating party is a new event for children of Boulder alumnae. Collegians pre-bake sugar cookies then set up decorating facilities in the dining room and let the children have at it! Milk and candy hearts are served to those who have not licked more frosting than they spread.

Each semester Beta Iota prepares a list of those who would like to babysit. Obviously, this is a mutually beneficial endeavor. The girls enjoy spending time in alumnae homes and earning extra money. Alumnae are delighted to have responsible sitters.

This year Boulder alumnae have started a cake baking service for the college chapter. For a minimal charge, a special occasion or birthday cake is made and decorated and delivered to the Theta house.

A KAΘ Assistance Fund has been established by Boulder Alumnae. Any Beta Iota member in good standing may apply for scholastic or financial assistance. Boulder alumnae also financed the attendance of the Rush Chairman at the 1977 Leadership Conference.

As one can easily see, in Boulder the Alumnae and College chapters' kites soar side by side in mutual harmony and happiness.

Patty Morrow Ahlstrand

Founders' Day Brings Thetas Together Statewide at Birmingham, AL

The Theta Alumnae Club in Birmingham, Alabama planned a special Founders' Day celebration this year. Members of Gamma Omega at Auburn University and Delta Omicron at Alabama joined Birmingham Thetas for a luncheon, followed by an "exchange of ideas" session for the collegians. Rounding out the day was a Band Party.

In addition to entertaining the Thetas of the State of Alabama, Birmingham alumnae are making Christmas ornaments for the two chapters, and selling other ornaments, with profit from the sale earmarked for the use of the chapters.

Jane L. Palin

Help for Alpha Psi from Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae

Because we do not have a college chapter in our community we try to do something for different chapters in District II. Our latest involved Alpha Psi at Lawrence University. Because Alpha Psi's membership has greatly increased in the past several years they were in need of additional initiation paraphernalia, which our members gladly provided.

Suzanne Anderson

Champaign-Urbana Alumnae Make Early Pledge Contact

The Champaign-Urbana Alumnae Chapter traditionally holds a pledge dessert in the fall. The last two years they have planned a career night called "Of Kites and Careers." Several alumna members are selected on the basis of their professional careers to talk about the future opportunities in their fields. The pledges have enjoyed this type of program and say that it is most beneficial in planning their future as well as being a good basis for their relationship with alumnae during the college years.

Jean M. Livingston

Tau Chapter Benefits

The Evanston and North Shore Alumnae Chapter in Illinois has a great interest in Northwestern's Tau chapter as many of the group's members are Tau alumnae.

The proceeds from a "Make It, Bake It, or Fake It" sale are earmarked for Tau. This is an auction, so the members try to outbid each other, not only to gain the prize, but to increase the amount of the donations to the object of their affection . . . Tau chapter at Northwestern.

Tau chapter members also expressed a desire to learn more about bridge so collegiate-alumnae bridge games are being held at the chapter house, and even a trumped ace is no threat to this alumnae relations program.

As a reminder of the strong alumnae support the girls are supplied with a good supply of apples when they return for rush in the fall.

Analee Bornhofen Breckheimer

Chicago Southwest Suburban Chapter Assists Two College Chapters

The Chicago Southwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter does not have a college chapter in the vicinity, but two college chapters benefit from its interest and generosity.

A long-standing close relationship with Delta chapter at the University of Illinois, means pillows for new pledges, cookies for homecoming and a Make and Bake Auction, where members bring all sorts of home-made Christmas treats which they buy from each other. Sale proceeds are donated to the Delta Fund, an emergency fund for girls in the chapter.

They have recently begun to include Psi chapter at Wisconsin in their college-alumnae program, with a gift of pledge pillows for the new pledges, and larger plans for the future with Psi.

Patricia W. Curtis

SOS Program Stimulates Alumnae-College Contact at Cincinnati

Cincinnati alumnae and Alpha Tau chapter at the University of Cincinnati have combined efforts which have resulted in a variety of popular and successful projects. This past year the SOS (Slightly Older Sister) program was continued. Each pledge was adopted by an alumna who strives to be a confidante, advisor, and friend for the year. The new initiates were welcomed into the chapter by the alumnae when they received kite shaped pin cushions. Graduating seniors were feted by the various alumnae boards who hosted a lasagna dinner and pool party.

Socially the collegians and alumnae have quite a bit going together with a dinner dance for alumnae and chapter members, and a brunch and fashion show in which the undergraduates and alumnae modeled.

We have not only enjoyed these cooperative ventures but we also feel that our relationships have been strengthened.

Lea Johnston

Colorado Springs Thetas Work For and With Beta Omega

In October 1977, Theta Alumnae of Colorado Springs held a bazaar with the hope of raising enough money, so that a portion could be set aside to start an assistance fund for members of Beta Omega chapter at Colorado College.

Many alumnae participated by giving craft instructions, making various gift items, preparing baked goods or working at the bazaar. Thus the Beta Omega Friendship Fund was born.

A garage sale held at the Theta lodge in February had the dual purpose of cleaning house and making money to buy new furnishings, and the girls and alumnae worked together to make it a success. This past year saw a remodeling and redecorating of the lodge which of course called for some new furnishings which were not included in the loan. Completed in time for rush, the "revitalized" lodge is a testimony to chapter-alumnae cooperative effort.

Dianne Cepnick



Sandy Bradbury (second from rt.) of the Chicago-North Shore Alumnae Chapter joins Northwestern University's Tau Thetas on campus for our annual spring fundraising bake sale.

Chicago-North Shore Alumnae Find Friendship With Tau Thetas

A bonus to membership in the Chicago-North Shore Alumnae Chapter is our close relationship with Northwestern University's Tau Thetas, with our popular Auntie Mame program as a nucleus. Each fall, an alumna adopts a member of the Tau pledge class as her niece. The unique alumna-active friendship begins at a special party in the fall and grows throughout the collegian's four college years as both attend Theta functions together, such as Founders' Day, and the Sunday evening barbecue held last spring at the home of an alumna. Auntie Mames remember their nieces with gifts, visits, notes, holidays, exam week and occasional invitations to a home-cooked dinner.

For the past two years, Auntie Mame participants have supported the alumnae and college chapters' fund raising chairmen in our successful spring bake sale. Actives pair off in the homes of alumnae for an afternoon of baking, then the alumnae join the collegians on campus for an all-day sale with proceeds going to the Rimland School for Autistic Children in Evanston. The bake sale is an annual event.

This fall, alumnae initiated a "Career Day" at the chapter house when Chicago-area Theta career women spoke about their experiences in the business world. As a follow-up, we plan to hold a "Resume Review" in the spring and invite Theta husbands to participate in mock interview situations.

A special tradition of our alumnae chapter is the "True Theta Sister Award" to the most outstanding graduating Tau senior as voted by the chapter. The May meeting is devoted to honoring the members of Tau's graduating class at which time the award is announced, and each senior receives a remembrance from the alumnae chapter.

Our continuing interest in the chapter is best exemplified by the fact that 12 out of the 15 member Tau Chapter Advisory Board are members of the Chicago-North Shore Chapter.

Susie Rodgers



Front row Lori Sarkis, and Judy Fauret Alpha Gamma members. In back Beth Michael, also of the Ohio State chapter, and Mary Ann Scheniman, Columbus Alumnae Chapter. They are holding potted pansies which they will deliver to 50 year Thetas.

Dayton, Ohio Thetas Are Close to Miami Chapter

The forty-four miles between Miami University and Dayton have been well traveled by Theta collegians and alumnae. They have taken gifts to graduating seniors, hors d'oeuvres for Fall rush, and money to be used to redecorate the suite and purchase new initiation paraphernalia.

In turn Gamma Upsilon members come to Dayton for Founders' Day and will join the alumnae at one of the monthly meetings this year. Dayton Thetas helped a Gamma Upsilon collegian attend Grand Convention, which has proved to be a very good investment as Vice-President Pledge Education, Leslie Mion gained many good ideas for developing the pledge program.

Lynn Wagner Merrill

Denver Thetas' Help Extends Afar

The Denver Alumnae Chapter feels a close tie to each of the three college chapters in Colorado, Beta Gamma at Fort Collins, Beta Iota at Boulder, and Beta Omega, Colorado Springs. This past year a cash gift was sent to each chapter to be used for a need in their chapter houses.

As an outgrowth of a most successful Holiday Pointsettia Sale, some of the profits went to fund scholarships of \$1,000 available to Denver area Theta collegians, regardless of the college they attend.

Social events which facilitate a bond between college and alumnae include a summer patio party and a post holiday dinner party for college and alumnae Thetas.

Gloria Siekmeier

Pansy Plants Bloom for 50 Year Thetas in Columbus

Theta alumnae of Columbus, Ohio are very fortunate to have, in the same city, such an outstanding chapter as Alpha Gamma at Ohio State. While there are many occasions during the year that we help each other and work together, one of our favorite activities is honoring the fifty-year Thetas. Each year around Mothers' Day, we buy, pot, and deliver pansies to approximately 65 golden year Thetas living in our area. Accompanying each plant is a friendly handwritten greeting and a pleasant visit.

Marcia Buban

Diablo Valley Thetas Assist Berkeley Thetas

During the past year the Diablo Valley Alumnae Chapter has enjoyed its contacts with the members of Omega. They have helped a lot too, providing saleable items and salespersons for the chapter's garage sale. During rush they baked dessert breads and cookies for party refreshments and provided help in the kitchen. Pledge night, each pledge received a yellow rose from the Diablo Valley chapter.

Other practical assistance came in the form of donations . . . \$25 toward rush expense, and a \$100 gift to the chapter for house decor.

Diablo Valley Thetas hope and expect this sharing relationship to grow even more this next year.

Theo Johnson

Fairfield County Thetas Are Behind Gamma Zetas at U CONN

The Fairfield County Alumnae Chapter has adopted the new Theta chapter, Gamma Zeta, at the University of Connecticut. Each of the 25 girls who pledged to the new colony in September gained a Big Sister who remembers her at least once a month. In October, the Big Sisters remember their Little Sisters with a gift carrying out a Halloween motif. In November the pledges received a letter in which each alumna described her own Theta chapter during the time she was in college, and what Theta has meant to her as an alumna.

At the height of exam week in December, what should arrive from the Fairfield County Alumnae but a care package containing treats to sustain them during their long hours of study.

Fairfield County Thetas took an active part in the chapter installation ceremonies and expect to be around to lend support and encouragement to the new chapter for years to come.

Sandra Trout

Fargo Alumnae Feel Lucky To Have a College Chapter Right "At Home"

Thetas in the Fargo-Moorhead Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Chapter feel fortunate to have a college chapter in their city, the Gamma Nu chapter at North Dakota State University. They get together with the collegians several times a year. In September the alumnae chapter arranges a joint picnic with the Gamma Nu Thetas, held shortly after pledging so that they have an opportunity to meet the new pledges.

At the Christmas season, alumnae and collegians in Fargo meet at the chapter house for a buffet supper and holiday singing. Founders' Day affords another opportunity to meet with the college chapter and renew our commitment to Theta in the words of the Founders' Day ceremony.

Diane Nordeng

Fort Collins Alumnae Have Frequent Get-togethers with Beta Gamma Members

Each year in August Fort Collins Theta alumnae join Colorado State Thetas at the chapter house for a mock rush. Rush procedures are practiced with alumnae playing the role of rushees.

In October pledges are introduced and honored at a dinner at the home of an alumna, and on Halloween chapter members put on a party for children of alumnae.

This past year, in addition to the annual gift to the chapter, Fort Collins alumnae re-decorated the guest room in the chapter house.

In November a dessert party at the house and a "pantry shower" for the girls involved each alumna bringing food or a snack to stock the pantry.

This year collegians are to be dinner guests at the homes of alumnae, with two girls going to a home.

At the time of the Senior Dinner in May each senior is given a sterling silver spoon engraved with KAΘ.

Fort Collins alumnae feel fortunate to live in a town where there is a Theta chapter, providing an opportunity for them to work closely with undergraduates.

Jane Bontempo

Strong Tie Between Lafayette Alumnae Chapter and Purdue Thetas

As we leave college we pass from collegian to alumna and become part of a new group of Thetas, fondly called "the alums." As an alumnae chapter, we plan to keep in touch with the Alpha Chi Thetas in many ways. There are two joint functions that are repeated every year—State Day and Founders' Day Luncheon. State Day involves the five college chapters in Indiana and alumnae groups meeting together for a day of fellowship, awards and exchange of ideas.

In the past few years, Lafayette alumnae have gotten together and made macrame plant hangers with KAΘ carved in the beaded decoration. These gifts for graduating seniors are presented at a Sunday brunch.

A dessert/fashion show is also on the calendar for Lafayette Thetas this year.

Mary Ellen Totten

The Eyes of Houston, Texas Thetas Are On Delta Omega at Texas A&M

Shortly after the colonization of Delta Omega chapter at Texas A&M, the alumnae in College Station sent out an S.O.S. Nearby Houston being a non-college chapter town, had members enthusiastic at the prospect of encouraging a strong new chapter so nearby.

So near and yet so far. The three hour round trip made advisory board participation impractical. But the new chapter needed depth in its adult support system and for starters, Houston Thetas filled this need providing niceties such as flowers, food and equipment for their projects and get-togethers. Thus the Houston Thetas began a liaison group to establish a line of support and caring between the alumnae and the members of the new chapter.

A practical eye for the future has the building committee of the House Corporation pushing forward to build a chapter house for Delta Omega. From Houston Doris Hall, Olivia Munson and Dorothy Heard have joined two Thetas from Austin and representatives from College Station alumnae to serve on the committee. Land for the new house has been purchased and plans are in the discussion stage.

Houston Theta, Lucile Garrett was instrumental in getting a Mothers' Club started for the new chapter. With Houston Thetas providing the start-up money for the new Mothers' Club, it is off to a promising start and will be another pillar of support for Delta Omega. Other highly visible indications of support are the treats that arrive at the chapter at the time they are most needed and an adding machine to make life easier for the treasurer.

A&M graduates among the Houston Theta husbands have great enthusiasm for the new chapter and it is not unusual for a football game-bound car to stop for a visit and deliver a carefully carried cake for the girls.

Delta Omegas proved to be a great help as weekend workers at the Theta Charity Antiques Show, and this year Houston looks forward to having the Aggie girls join them at Founders' Day.

The Houston Alumnae Chapter continues its interest in all chapters in District XII with reminders during appropriate times of the year, and the availability of the Virginia Shillstone Scholarship Fund.

"In Houston we truly feel that the opportunity to work with a college chapter renews alumnae awareness and appreciation of the wonderful contribution of our college chapters to the maintenance of a strong and idealistic Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity."

Lawrence, Kansas Alumnae Club is Close to Kappa Chapter

Lawrence Alumnae Club members begin their joint activities with Kappa chapter in the fall with a brunch for seniors held in an alumna's home. This year stained-glass kites were made by Lawrence Theta, Susan Whitmer and given to the senior girls.

A joint Founders' Day celebration with the chapter highlights the winter's activities. At the University of Kansas, main rush is held second semester, and meeting the new pledges is an important event of the spring calendar.

Advisory Board positions are of course filled by alumnae in Lawrence. A scholarship fund begun by Wilma Miller, a Kappa chapter alumna in memory of four Kappa chapter charter members is administered by the University Endowment Association. From this fund, a scholarship is given each year to a Kansas Theta.

Nancy Nurnberg

Gamma Iota and Lexington Thetas Have Close Association

A strong tradition of sisterhood exists between the Gamma Iota Thetas of the University of Kentucky and the Lexington Alumnae Chapter.

Throughout the year, activities involve both groups, beginning with the potluck dinner for pledges in September, Founders' Day and the Senior Service every spring.

Holidays offer a chance for good times with the collegians Halloween party for children of alumnae. The chapter's "elf force" contributes greatly to the Theta-Pi Phi Children's Christmas Bazaar.

Also, this year a group of alumnae had dinner at the chapter house and at the "fireside" gave a short skit, "Some Theta's I've Known and How They Went Wrong."

Caryl Sharpe

Ole Miss Chapter Adopted by Memphis Alumnae

The Memphis Alumnae are working closely with the new Theta chapter at the University of Mississippi. In September many of the Memphis Thetas went to Oxford for the pledging ceremony of the new colony. The excitement of having a new chapter not too far away, has motivated the alumnae to plan get togethers for the future.

Inasmuch as there are no Big Sisters available in a new chapter, the alumnae in Memphis have initiated an Auntie Mame program under the direction of Laura Hobson and Carol Cordell. This alumnae-collegiate association got underway with a special event at the home of Gay Brown, college district president. "Sundaes on Sunday" featured scrumptious ice cream concoctions and an opportunity for the Ole Miss pledges to become acquainted with their "Aunts" in Memphis.

Marjorie Marshall

Louisville Thetas Fete Collegians at Holiday Season

Having no college chapter in our city, the Louisville Alumnae Chapter welcomes Theta collegians home for the holidays with our annual Christmas Coffee. All Thetas and their mothers from the Louisville area are invited to join alumnae in celebrating the holidays. In this way, we meet collegians from several different colleges. It is a good opportunity for alumnae to hear about what is happening in the college chapters, and the girls in turn learn of the activities of local alumnae.

This event is one of the most eagerly anticipated alumnae social functions of the year.

Corrine Williams

Summer Time Event for Milwaukee Alumnae and Collegians

Milwaukee alumnae entertained college Thetas home for the summer in the Milwaukee area. It was a swimming party, followed by a "build your own salad" supper.

It was a get acquainted time for all with the girls giving short talks on the activities of their own chapter. Alumnae were impressed with the amount of time today's college Thetas are giving to community service along with chapter activities and demanding academic schedules.

At this summer party, high school age sisters and daughters of Thetas are included as guests in order to give them a first hand opportunity to hear about life on various college campuses.

Jean Whitehead Davis

Minneapolis Alumnae Have Big Plans for Upsilon at Minnesota

The Minneapolis Alumnae Chapter is eager to increase contact with the college chapter, Upsilon, at the University of Minnesota. They have started a new tradition with a program called SOS (Slightly Older Sisters), in which alumnae "adopt" a pledge for the year. They are supporting the girls with personal contact, treats, notes, phone calls and a letter to parents explaining that their daughter will have an older friend to call on. SOS began with a pizza-making party at the chapter house giving everyone a chance to meet and begin the special friendship which exists between Thetas of varying ages.

Jo Ellen Waterman

Auction in New Orleans Benefits Sophie Newcomb Chapter

"Going, going, gone!" The auction held at the home of Edith Hoffman Murphy, Alpha Phi, Newcomb was underway and before it was over profits of \$1,000 would be realized to benefit the Methodist Home for Battered and Abused Children, and Alpha Phi chapter. Auction items featured a weekend for two at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in the French Quarter, breakfast at Brennan's and craft articles made by Theta alumnae.

Laura Claverie

Miami Alumnae Are Great Auntie Mames!

The Miami Alumnae Chapter is actively involved this year with their "Auntie Mame" program.

This past fall the chapter sent a beautiful silk flower arrangement to the Delta Theta Chapter at the University of Florida for display during rush.

During the Holiday season the alumnae chapter sent the college chapter hand made calico and gingham kite ornaments for the Christmas tree in the chapter house.

The next thoughtful gift from Miami alumnae was a yellow rose for each member of the fall pledge class at the time of their initiation winter quarter.

Other events are planned by the Miami alumnae to let the collegians at Delta Theta know that they care and want to help in any way they can.

Delta Theta members don't have to be told that they have been "adopted" by their older sisters in Miami.
Debbie Allen

Northwest Harris County, Texas Thetas Adopt Texas A&M Collegians

Besides the fraternity "ties that bind," our alumnae club and Delta Omega chapter at Texas A&M University have a lot in common. February, 1976 is the month and year of our births! It is no surprise then that our members voted to adopt the chapter.

Our first support was paying for their 1978 newsletter, and the latest was baking 1,000 cheese biscuits for a rush party in August. The Texas biscuit-bakers included Thetas from seven different chapters who have migrated to that corner of Harris County, Texas.

Impressed with the cheese biscuits and A&M Thetas were a bumper crop of pledges, including the daughter of one of the biscuit bakers.

Jean Harrington Coogan

Northern Virginia Chapter Extends Fellowship at Holiday Season

What started as a spur of the moment idea three years ago has rapidly become tradition—a Christmas brunch for collegians. The brunch is given in honor of members and pledges who are home for the holidays, and their mothers. It is coordinated by the Fraternity Trends Chairman and held at the home of an alumna. The menu has ranged from crepes to creative recipes from our local cookbook. Sharing the joy of the holiday season and pride in Theta gives both hostesses and guests a special opportunity for fraternity fellowship.

The new Theta chapter at the University of Virginia has also experienced the friendship and helping hands of Northern Virginia Thetas, through participation of individual alumnae and the restoration of a silver tea service which was presented to the chapter by the Chapter House Corporation of Gamma Kappa chapter formerly at George Washington University.

Amanda Andersen McNabb

State-wide help from Oklahoma City Thetas

Oklahoma City Alumnae chapter provides a helping hand for all three college chapters in Oklahoma, and to individual members of all three chapters—Alpha Omicron, University of Oklahoma; Beta Zeta, Oklahoma State; and Gamma Tau, University of Tulsa.

For the past few years, Oklahoma City alumnae have been maintaining an emergency scholarship fund to help Thetas during any financial crisis so that they may remain in school. These scholarships will be a continuing part of the Oklahoma City Alumnae program. Funds for the scholarships are raised at the Flaming Festival.

The Oklahoma City Alumnae chapter gives a gift to each college chapter in the state as part of our Founders' Day program, and they have helped financially with gifts to chapters to help with redecorating programs.

Marion Hurst

Orlando Area Thetas Share Good Times With Gamma Gamma

A super Sundae Sunday and a somber senior service were just some of the fun that Orlando-Winter Park Theta alumnae and Rollins College Thetas shared this past year.

In September, alumnae helped the Gamma Gamma members with a successful rush by loaning their homes for parties and providing dinner for the members after long hours of rushing.

At the semester break alumnae hosted an ice cream sundae party as a break from exam study, in the Theta lodge. Founders' Day celebration and a tea for seniors rounded out the year's joint alumnae/collegian activities.

Barbara Stuart

Two Los Angeles Chapters Aided by Pasadena Alumnae

Thetas of Pasadena have two college chapters to share their affection and support, Omicron chapter at the University of Southern California and Beta Xi at UCLA. Pasadena joins other alumnae organizations in the Southern California Federation to present special pins with pearls and diamonds to Omicron and Beta Xi. The pins are awarded each year to the pledges with the highest scholarship in their respective chapters.

A highlight of the Pasadena Alumnae holiday season is the mother-daughter Christmas Coffee held in December as a homecoming celebration for daughters who are returning from various universities for Christmas break.

Pasadena also provides assistance during rush and sees to it that the girls are not lacking for snacks during finals.

Betty Norris



Collegians Julie Hartung, Karen Bushnell and Caroline Jecquec visit at the Portland summer party

Portland Thetas Help State Chapters

Portland is one of those large alumnae chapters which does not have a Theta chapter in the city on which to lavish attention. But the Portland alumnae are aware of and responsive to the needs of the two Theta chapters in their state . . . the University of Oregon at Eugene and Oregon State University at Corvallis.

The alumnae budget includes flower for each chapter house for rush, and additional donations to cover the cost of a needed item. Although distance makes it impractical for the Portland alumnae and the college chapters to have a joint Founders' Day, an invitation to join Portland Thetas at their luncheon is extended, and last year five Beta Epsilon members attended.

The alumnae-collegian summer picnic is the highlight of shared activities, where food, fellowship and fun prevail, as well as an opportunity to discuss plans for rush.

Shirley Mills

Philadelphia Has No Chapter But Interest Abounds

The absence of a college chapter in our area does not inhibit the Philadelphia alumnae. Every year we provide a \$1,000 undergraduate scholarship to an undergraduate Theta. She must come from the Philadelphia area. However, she can be a member of any Theta college chapter.

The recipient this year is Mary Beth Ballaher who is studying for a B.S. at the University of Pittsburgh.

The Philadelphia Alumnae chapter also provides a \$250.00 scholarship for continuing education and it is currently held by Diane Ware Classen who is completing her M.A. in elementary education.

Each winter we host a Christmas coffee for college Thetas, alumnae and mothers and daughters. It is at this event that the scholarship presentations are made.

Liz Selfridge

Varied Program of College Chapter Assistance by Phoenix Thetas

Phoenix Theta alumnae say their close contact with Delta Epsilon chapter at Arizona State gives them an opportunity to really know the girls, and they are always impressed with their friendliness and enthusiasm. "It gives us a chance to look at our 'investment' and Kappa Alpha Theta's future . . . and we like what we see."

An active Auntie Mame program involving pledges, money contributions for Greek Week, help at initiation time are just a few of the contacts that build strong college-alumnae relationships in the Phoenix area. They also award a Theta pin to the pledge with the highest grades, maintain an emergency fund which enables girls to borrow cash quickly, entertain Delta Epsilon members at a salad supper in the spring and at that time present each graduating senior with a silver dish.

Beta Delta chapter at the University of Arizona also shares in the Phoenix plan for helping college chapters in the state. Along with the Delta Epsilon chapter, Beta Delta seniors also have an opportunity to win a \$250 scholarship based on character, fraternity contributions, scholarship and college activities.

Bonnie Vawter

The Psi Connection

The Rockford Alumnae Chapter has adopted Psi Chapter to give us a closer tie to a college group. Distance prevents us from taking personal participation in Psi activities, but we feel closer to them through gifts of money for needed equipment for their house, sending flowers for rush week, and gifts of pledge pillows.

San Francisco Thetas Participate in Installation Weekend at Stanford

For our introduction to the newly initiated Phi deuteran Thetas of Stanford, we had the pleasure of hosting a pre-game brunch at the home of Phi alumna, Ann Ditz. San Francisco Thetas contributed literally carloads of homemade quiches, breads and fruits.

All enjoyed a pleasant, sunny day on the poolside patio as we reflected upon our own initiations ranging anywhere from 5 to 65 years before.

The members of Stanford's second Theta chapter see sorority life in a new light. They welcome living apart to broaden their group of friends, and not to isolate themselves from the majority of the non-Greek campus, yet there was obviously a special closeness among the new initiates.

An extra treat that day was an opportunity to know the national officers who were all fresh and vibrant, despite the weekend's hectic schedule.

Patty Martin



Phi Thetas from the University of the Pacific enjoy being the dinner guests of Sacramento alumnae

Sacramento Alumnae Fete Adopted Chapter

An evening potluck dinner hosted by past presidents was the highlight of activities with Phi chapter, our adopted chapter at the University of Pacific in Stockton. Sacramento Thetas turned out in numbers to meet the undergraduate guests from Phi.

This annual event was truly overflowing with Theta sisterhood. It was a perfect opportunity to get together to enjoy one another's company, and to leave with new recipes, new friends, and fond memories of a great evening.

Linda Trujillo

Southern California Area Club Focuses Attention on Two Chapters

Traditionally each summer the South Bay Alumnae Club in Palos Verdes, CA, hosts a luncheon for college Thetas who live in the area. It is a time to renew our friendships and love for Theta. We join in singing Theta songs and talk of upcoming rush for the chapters in the area, and volunteer our help where it is needed. Help this year consisted of kitchen "duty" at UCLA and providing floral pieces for rush parties at USC and UCLA.

A flourishing "Auntie Mame" program with USC builds a special relationship by adopting pledges at that chapter and remaining a special alumna friend throughout the girl's undergraduate years.

The Thetas of the South Bay club are enthusiastic about cultivating chapter/alumnae relationships and feel that this tie is part of what Theta is all about.

Sigrid Allman

St. Paul Alumnae Have Close Ties with Upsilon Chapter

St. Paul Theta alumnae are never at a loss for projects. With Upsilon chapter at the University of Minnesota located in the Twin City area, there are many opportunities for local alumnae to participate in college chapter life. Members of the St. Paul Alumnae Chapter serve on the Upsilon Advisory and Corporation Boards. Other members contribute their time by writing rush recommendations and assisting with rush itself. Last year alumnae fund raisers helped by contributing money for reupholstering the furniture in the chapter house living room.

On preference night one hundred yellow roses from St. Paul alumnae was a colorful reminder of continuing interest in the Upsilon chapter.

The St. Paul Chapter served as hostess for Founders' Day in 1978, an assignment shared on a rotating basis with the Minneapolis alumnae. The Founders' luncheon for the Upsilon chapter and Twin City area Thetas, was enriched by Marguerite Tuttle's "Rememberance" of Clara Bierman, a Theta whose enthusiasm and loyalty through the years endeared her to the hearts of Minnesota Thetas everywhere.

In May each year a joint meeting of collegians and the Twin City alumnae at the chapter house for dinner features a white elephant sale with proceeds designated for rush. Alumnae-collegiate interaction is a strong force in the St. Paul program.

Jean Strothman Tews

Alpha Mu 100 Miles Away, Still Close to St. Louis Thetas

Because St. Louis is not a Theta college town, we are not able to do as much as we would like with our nearest college chapter, Alpha Mu at the University of Missouri in Columbia, more than one hundred miles away. We do support them with financial gifts. Our May alumnae meeting is always a picnic and all local Theta collegians are invited. The collegians are also encouraged to help at our annual Santa's House. This year at Santa's House we are selling recipes for the Columbia Alumnae Chapter and giving them the profit which they will use to replace initiation paraphernalia.

Bets McFarlan

Santa Barbara Alumnae and Collegians Share Activities

At Gamma Rho chapter at the University of California at Santa Barbara, seniors can look forward to receiving a gold charm, a gift of the Santa Barbara alumnae welcoming them into the alumnae world.

At Founders' Day the entire chapter joins with alumnae to commemorate the beginning of our fraternity. This year special activities are planned with the Gamma Rho collegians including a tour of Santa Barbara's famous courthouse and a picnic, as well as an evening of fun at Spring Sing.

The main event of the year in which all fraternity women are invited to share is a program on Women and Alcohol, planned for Spring.

Laurie Guitteau



Seattle alumnae and Alpha Lambda collegians get together at an Auntie Mame party.

Spokane Thetas Travel to Pullman To Become Better Acquainted

The Spokane Chapter spent an evening in October with the members of Alpha Sigma in Pullman. Mainly through the efforts of the Alumnae Relations chairman the date was set and the trip organized. Alumnae carpooled down to Pullman for dessert and entertainment and a tour of the house.

Spokane alumnae and collegians met in June for a rush meeting and party. This proved to be a very valuable activity in organizing rush recommendations.

Also planned is a Christmas coffee for members who will be home for the holidays, and their mothers. It is always well attended and gives the alumnae a chance to meet the college members and pledges.

Louise Snowdy

Tampa Alumnae Looking Out for Needs of Young Chapter

Delta Rho a growing young Theta chapter at the University of South Florida has benefited greatly from the support of the Tampa Alumnae Club. Sororities have no housing on campus, so local alumnae have opened their homes for rush parties and initiation. The collegians have reciprocated with serenades and teas honoring alumnae. Each year the Tampa Club and individual Thetas have donated money to the Delta Rho chapter to help meet their needs.

Vicki Shinoda

Ongoing Togetherness for Seattle and Alpha Lambda Thetas

"Theta For a Lifetime" was the theme of this year's Founders' Day celebration in Seattle. What a cross-section of womanhood, what a span of generations, and what a wealth of Theta love we have in Seattle! We Thetas here are knowing each other better and enjoying each other more all the time. Every year our college and alumnae chapters have several joint affairs. We begin by inviting initiates to attend our first chapter meeting in the fall, held at the Theta house. Then, Founders' Day, we alumnae celebrate our sisterhood with the new initiates. Once a year, the collegians are invited to join the Junior Alumnae for a meeting. This year the evening's entertainment included instruction in the LA and New York hustle! What fun! Spring time brings a visit by the graduating seniors to share a pot-luck dinner with our area's junior alumnae. Here they receive a small gift, and a hearty welcome into the alumnae world. In between times, the Juniors help Alpha Lambda members by answering phones during initiation so that all the girls are free to attend the ceremony, and they "out boogie" the collegians while chaperoning their three parties a year.

In addition to these regular happenings, forty-two collegians and forty-two alumnae launched Seattle's Auntie Mame program last November. A fireside warmed friendships at that first meeting of Auntie Mame's and their nieces. The one-to-one sharing of those special sisters promises to be the best togetherness of the many enjoyable and thoughtful meetings between collegiates and alumnae through the year. That love, its catching!

Mary Anderson

Waco Alumnae Are Well Acquainted With Baylor Collegians

One of the most enjoyable and rewarding activities our alumnae have participated in with our college chapter has been the "Auntie Kate" program. This program is an opportunity for an alumna to adopt a pledge for a semester and mainly be a friend. This includes taking her to lunch, remembering her on special occasions, and attending her initiation. The "Auntie Kate" program with Epsilon Epsilon started in the spring of 1976, and since Baylor has two rushes a year, we have utilized an average of 30 alumnae per rush and involved at least 50 of our club. A special remembrance is given the pledge at initiation by her "Aunt Kate," and this keepsake in the form of a suncatcher of a kite, pansy, or Greek letters can be treasured for years as a reminder of the member's first year as a Theta.

Bob Anne Senter



Tacoma alumnae join Delta Iotas for dinner on campus at the University of Puget Sound.

Tacoma Alumnae Always Close at Hand for Delta Iota

The Delta Iota chapter at the University of Puget Sound keeps Tacoma Theta alumnae busy and involved. Tacoma Thetas worked hard in helping to establish the chapter in the early 1960's, and collegians and alumnae have been working closely together ever since. In addition to the Advisory Board personnel furnished by the Tacoma Alumnae Chapter, they lend support each year by awarding textbook scholarships to collegians, and select gifts "with love and careful thought" to be given to each new initiate and also to each graduating senior.

But aside from Theta matters, the one thing we do best together is EAT! From the annual October Get Acquainted Dinner prepared by alumnae at the UPS Student Union, to the mid-year highlight of sharing Founders' Day at a luncheon, to the April "Pre-Alumnae Potluck" party for graduating seniors, we have discovered the secret of happy collegians . . . FOOD, and lots of it! Entertainment is almost always added to the frivolity of our food fests. In October, new pledges display their talents in musical presentations and collegians share rush skits; and in April it is the alumnae's turn to entertain. These shared events with the Delta Iotas are our best-attended functions. The success of planning and cooperation can be credited to College/Alumnae Relations Chairmen working together all year long.

Gayle Fischer

Alumnae/Collegiate Tennis Match at Tulsa!

The Tulsa Alumnae Chapter is fortunate in having Gamma Tau chapter at the University in our city. As a result much sharing between alumnae and collegians proves that Theta sisterhood truly goes on after college and involves all ages.

Alumnae staff the Corporation Board and the Advisory Board, and many alumnae have given donations to provide new carpet, and coverings for all the furniture. Their watchful eye is keeping the house in good repair.

Gamma Tau members have also shared social times with their alumnae. The first tennis match has been held and it is hoped to make that an annual event. Besides the tennis matches there was a style show of tennis clothes modelled by collegians.

Gamma Tau's in turn help with the Flaming Festival, parking cars, and setting up tables.

The Tulsa Alumnae chapter has a night group of working alumnae, and these Thetas provide a potluck dinner and a guest speaker for the chapter.

All Tulsa Thetas are proud of the awards and scholarships won by Gamma Tau chapter at Grand Convention and to demonstrate their pride, they staged a surprise dessert party at the chapter house.

Teresa A. Swagerty

New Stanford Chapter Provides Broadened Horizons for San Mateo

All Thetas, college and alumnae alike, have shared in the joy of the recent reinstatement of Phi chapter at Stanford University. In particular, Phi deutron at Stanford has provided many happy experiences for the San Mateo County Alumnae Chapter, affording us an opportunity to work closely with our neighboring alumnae groups in Palo Alto and San Jose. Perhaps even more enjoyable has been our contact with the recent initiates of Phi deutron themselves.

A contingent of San Mateo Alumnae participated last spring in the pledging ceremonies and distinguished themselves by providing an elegant luncheon for the honorees.

Installation in October gave San Mateo Thetas many more opportunities to participate in Initiation Week Activities. Once again our culinary prowess was showcased at the Panhellenic Tea and Reception where we served as hostesses.

There are nine members of the San Mateo Alumnae Chapter who were members of "old" Phi at Stanford and they have strong emotional ties with the new initiates of Phi deutron. All San Mateo alumnae members join them in heartily welcoming our newest sisters and look forward to continued close contacts.

Angela Norton



San Mateo alumnae at Stanford pledging. Seated l. to r. Barbara Peterson, Mary Trittipio, ADP, Pat Finley. Standing l to r. Shirley Reedy, Angela Norton, Barbara Looney, Mae Hillman, CDP.

Toronto Alumnae Aid Only Chapter In Province

Since there is no college chapter on the University of Toronto campus we have adopted Gamma Epsilon at the University of Western Ontario, in London, as our college involvement. Keeping in touch is easy, not only because we are close (London is about 120 miles from Toronto), but because many of our Toronto alumnae are graduates of Western Ontario and members of Gamma Epsilon and have maintained a warm relationship with the collegians.

Toronto alumnae make a point of sending representatives to Gamma Epsilon's initiation ceremony, and help with furnishing of the chapter house. Money for this is usually raised by collecting negotiable, cash register tapes from one of our large super markets. Sometimes special gifts are provided and cookies are always welcome. This year we will replace much needed flatware at the Theta house. Our newest scheme—Project S.O.S. is designed to encourage rapport between one collegian and one alumnae member by matching interest in the two age groups. Phone calls, correspondence, gifts, luncheon visits are possibilities for fostering friendship and a closer sisterhood.

Anna Hillery

Distance Obstacle Resolved by Washington, D.C.—Gamma Mu Thetas

Gamma Mu chapter at College Park, Maryland is the nearest chapter for Washington, D.C. alumnae. But "nearest" translates into considerable distances for the widely scattered Thetas in the Washington area, thus making it difficult for on-going college-alumnae contact. Consequently all efforts were concentrated on a joint Christmas meeting at the chapter house.

"Christmas Food Decorations" was the timely topic of the program. To supplement the efforts of the telephone committee, car pools were organized in various parts of the city and suburbs to facilitate attendance.

Washington, D.C. now has a new area alumnae club made up of Thetas within the graduating class range of 1970-'79, with a program centered around Gamma Mu chapter. President of the new club is Beverly Resnick, 1620 Earlam Ave., Crofton, MD 21114.

Jane Harder



Oklahoma 50 year Thetas at one of their twice yearly meetings are l. to r. Margaret Archdeacon Darrough, Jeanette Barnes Monnet, Alberta Conner Boyle, Alpha Omicrons and Lovenia Boen James, Beta Zeta.

THETAS ARE IN BUSINESS!

From Small Ventures and on Up the Ladder

NOSTALGIA INTERESTS REAP PROFITS FOR SHOPOWNERS

Most people would not jump at the chance to buy 200 old fashioned ceiling fans. Connie Mendrys bought them and doubled her money selling them in a very short time. Connie, Beta Kappa, Drake, and her husband Jack, are reaping the benefits of the nostalgia wave that is sweeping through Des Moines. Four years ago they bought the Century Shoppe, Ltd. in Valley Junction, the small shopping area which has been incorporated into the city of Des Moines.

After graduating from Drake and launching careers, the Mendrys bought a house and started their family. The trials of furnishing a whole house found them fleeing from department store furniture to antique dealers. They bought old furniture, refinished it and saved a lot of money. Searching for furniture one day Connie went to Bazaar Americana and found a friendly Theta, Ona Sommers, a member of Beta Omicron at the University of Iowa, who was part-owner of the antique shop. After a short acquaintance and a few deals Ona asked Connie and Jack to refinish furniture for her shop and become one of her 1,000 consignees. A short time later a shop came up for sale in the same block and the Mendrys bought it and revamped the back room as a playroom for their two daughters. Now Connie is tending to customers and Jack is scouting for buys and refinishing the country-look furniture that fills their shop.

Ona's shop is now ten years old and she has dealt in crafts, American and imported antiques, and is devoting a large area to miniatures and doll houses this year. One of the first dealers in Valley Junction, Ona has watched the two block area change from the remnants of a small town into a haven for over 50 dealers.

Connie and Ona are sharing their talents with Thetas by helping to organize a Miniature Menagerie Show sponsored by the Des Moines Theta Alumnae Chapter.

Judith Frank



Connie Mendrys and Ona Sommers, Des Moines Business Partners

New Orleans Thetas Business-Minded

New Orleans Thetas are making inroads into the business community in many areas.

Blair Moyer Lambert, Louisiana State is part owner of "Melange," one of New Orleans' most successful antique/gift shops. Opened in 1972, "Melange" combines fine English antiques and designer clothes for children.

"Piccadilly Circus" gives a universal flavor to furniture and children's clothes. Part owner, Dolly Gray Barrett, Newcomb and her husband have travelled to England, Scotland and the Orient to select the exquisite antiques and handmade children's clothes. "Piccadilly Circus" is located in New Orleans' newest shopping center, Uptown Square.

Jean Culver Dragon, another Louisiana State Theta is part owner of "Needle Works, Ltd." At the shop, patrons learn the fine crafts of needlepoint and crewel work. Opened in 1973, the shop is one of the Crescent City's most successful needlework shops.

Jane Leach Clairborn, a Sophie Newcomb Theta is one of the most industrious and respected real estate agents in New Orleans. Last year Jane sold over \$3,000,000 worth of residential and commercial property.

Icing on the cake is the specialty of Frances Miller Rodgers, Alpha Theta, Texas, owner of "Cache Pot." Frances' icing is not made of sugar. It's made of silk flowers, brass, baskets, china—all the lovely things that make a house interesting and colorful. "Cache Pot," located on Dante Street, is one of New Orleans' leading decorator/accessory shops.

Laura Claverie



Shirley Petrie

Securities Are Her Thing

Shirley Petrie, member of Alpha Sigma and the Portland Alumnae Chapter last year received an award from the Portland Chamber of Commerce and is the first woman to be given an honorary life membership by the chamber. She has been in the security business nine years. Her particular interests are investment counseling and portfolio management.

Shirley is a featured financial speaker in many seminars, and in November she moderated an investment panel at a women's regional three day conference at Portland State University. She believes the key to financial success is knowledge, with goal setting and the ability to exercise considered judgment.

In addition to volunteer activities, Shirley Petrie takes part in local community philanthropic and service organizations. Thetas who attended last year's Grand Convention will remember her as the super-efficient manager and hostess who chaired the local convention committee.

Shirley Mills

Toronto's Marie Wilson, Businesswoman

When Marie Wilson, Sigma, Toronto was appointed a director of the Bank of Nova Scotia in late 1977, it was not because of any pressure, governmental or otherwise to name a woman to that prestigious position for the first time. Marie Wilson has been a top-flight businesswoman for many years.

She became president of A. E. Wilson and Company Ltd. when her father, founder of the insurance firm died in 1959. She graduated from law school, an honor student at an early age and went directly into the insurance company where her legal training became valuable in the practice of corporate law.

Marie Wilson's legal and business background and other qualifications fit in the board room of a large bank. If the bank officers were thinking "women" as they sought an appointee, they didn't have far to look.



Sharon Merial in her dream store

Bright Lights in Her Life

Little girls often follow their fathers around, questioning their every move. As a little girl, Sharon Albright Merial was no exception. Sharon could be found, on any given day, following her father, and asking questions, eager to learn about her father's lighting business.

By the time Sharon was a teenager, she was assembling, hanging, and buying fixtures for her father's store. At sixteen, she made her first trip to Chicago purchasing merchandise for the store.

College didn't stifle Sharon's interest. She became a member of Beta Kappa chapter at Drake and continued to work at her father's store and dreamed of owning her own store.

In 1966 her dream came true. Sharon and her sister Shirley Gourley opened their own store, Albright Lighting and Interiors, Inc. in Des Moines, Iowa. The store has become one of the largest lighting stores in the state.

Along with Sharon's busy life as President of Albright Lighting, she also finds time to be a wife, mother, and active in civic affairs. She manages to fit in tennis, swimming, piano lessons, and sewing.

Caryl Barr

Her formula for getting ahead in business: There's no substitute for a good performance. For top women in business—or how to get there—there is the immutable Wilson law. "If you haven't a capacity for work, forget it!"

LONDON HAS THETA AD EXEC

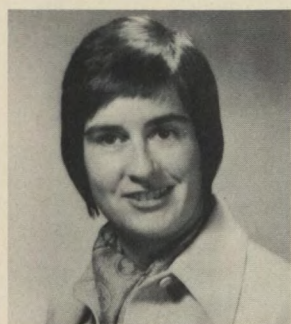


*Judie Lannon,
Gamma Upsilon*

When Judie Lannon became a director of the board of J. Walter Thompson, London, Britain's largest advertising agency in 1976, there were only three women directors among the ten top advertising agencies. Much was made of Judie's appointment at the time, but she considered the elevation of a woman to this position as a "non-issue."

Judie became a Theta at Miami University, then received her degree in Psychology from the University of Michigan. Her first job was with IBM in Chicago. Joining J. Walter Thompson's marketing department she began in market research. She heads creative research at JWT. Evaluating consumers' responses to advertising as such gives her an unrivalled insight into the way women see themselves portrayed in ads.

"Some advertisements definitely do insult women," she says. "There are more differences between women than there are between men and women. I do think ads have widened perspectives and given women new images to contemplate."



Diane Burns Pierson, Eta

INSURANCE EXECUTIVE

Dianne Burns Pierson, Eta, University of Michigan is a vice president in the Personnel Relations Department at Bankers Trust Company, New York. She joined the bank in 1968, was named an assistant treasurer in 1970, and was made an assistant vice president later that year.

Diane Pierson is a Moderator for the Broadway United Church of Christ in New York City.

NATIONAL HOSPICE COORDINATOR



Beau Sweney Bohart, Beta Iota

Beau Sweney Bohart, Ph.D. of Boulder, Colorado has recently been named National Coordinator of the Education and Training Committee of the National Hospice Organization in Washington, D.C.

Hospice is a program which provides palliative and supportive care for terminally ill patients and their families, either directly or on a consulting basis with the patient's physician or another community agency such as a visiting nurse association.

To understand her job, it is inspiring and interesting to understand the woman. Beau is a 31 year old soft-spoken individual who is a busy wife and mother of two small children. Many times she has stated that if it were not for her husband, Robert, she could not have pursued her career to its present point.

At the University of Colorado, Beau pledged Theta and majored in Psychology. During her undergraduate years she was active in many campus organizations, including the presidency of Beta Iota chapter, Mortar Board, and the Dean's list. In 1968 she was listed in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. She received a Masters in Education and then a Ph.D. with emphasis in the areas of college level counseling, psychology and research. Her dissertation topic was: The Impact of Death and Dying Counseling Groups on Death Anxiety for College Student Volunteers. Upon receiving her Ph.D. Beau found herself an "authority" on Death and Dying. She has taught several graduate level courses and given many seminars on the subject at both C.U. and the Graduate School for Educational Studies at Denver.

During her teaching, Beau recognized the need for a local center which could provide home care and support for patients with terminal illnesses. In 1976, modeling her program to those in Great Britain, she along with a team of medical professionals, sponsors, and volunteers became the Executive Director of Boulder County Hospice Inc. Denver professionals also asked Beau to help them model their Hospice Center after the one she founded in Boulder.

Beau readily admits that combining job and home life keeps her terribly busy. But, she is ready to meet new challenges and eager to start Hospice Centers throughout the United States.

Patty Morrow Ahlstrand



**Insurance
Executive**

Former chemist, Navy Captain, personnel administrator, and now vice president of one of the nation's largest insurance companies—that's Marie B. Kelleher, charter member of Gamma Eta, University of Massachusetts.

Since 1972, this Massachusetts native has lived in San Antonio where she is Vice President of Personnel at the United Services Automobile Association. Captain Kelleher heads a staff of 70 handling employment, promotion, counseling, compensation, benefits, retirement, recreation including team sports, a library, two cafeterias and a health services center. She is one of two women vice presidents.

Captain Kelleher is no stranger to positions of authority. Even in college she was a leader. In her senior year at the University of Massachusetts, she was one of the organizers of the new Theta chapter, Gamma Eta.

With her Cape Cod heritage and a degree in chemistry, Marie entered the U.S. Navy as a WAVE in 1942. What began as a six-month stint turned out to be a 30 year career charting new waters for women in the Navy. In 1948 she was selected as one of the first 300 women accepted into the regular Navy. In 1967 she was promoted to Captain.

How did a chemist become a personnel executive? In the Navy—via public relations! After serving as a chemist during World War II, she became Public Information Officer at the U.S. Naval Academy where, among other duties, she handled the arrangements for distinguished guests. Captain Kelleher first took an executive position in the Bureau of Naval Personnel in 1953. In 1956 she was one of 19 Naval and Marine officers selected for graduate work in personnel administration at Stanford and received her M.A. in 1958.

Big jobs followed. She was Personnel Officer at Naval Training Center in San Diego, and later assigned to Washington, D.C. as Head of the Program Plans Division of the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

As a woman, Captain Kelleher has made great strides in what was a man's world in both her careers. "I have never felt that I had any concern about discriminatory practices against me as a woman. "Of course, she adds, "I wasn't looking for any." Mary Jane Ware Howe



Jean Hamilton Runyon, Omega

Heads PR Firm in Sacramento

Jean Hamilton Runyon's entry into the business world came about 25 years ago, as a publicist promoting Music Circus theatre parties. As of January 1, 1976 she has been head of her own firm, the Runyon Agency, Inc., a Sacramento public relations and advertising firm which claims clients throughout California. In intervening years, this Omega Theta was associated with other advertising businesses bearing her name, and building a reputation for distinguished community service.

At the University of California at Berkeley where her father the late Brutus Hamilton was a famed track coach for 33 years, Jean majored in dramatic arts, and began an acting career which she left when she married the late Mercer Runyon and moved to Sacramento. Her flare for the dramatic is a motivating factor in a most significant community service which occurs every Halloween when Jean perches on the roof of her home dressed as a witch and throws candy and treats to hundreds of children who trample her lawn.

This well-recognized woman has been named "PR Man of the Year" by Sacramento's Public Relations Roundtable. She is listed in *Who's Who of American Women* and *Who's Who in the World*. She has received a Presidential Citation for Distinguished Service—Ford Foundation Grant, the United Way Distinguished Community Service Award and has been appointed by California Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. to the Joint Commission on Fair Judicial Election Practices.

These are just a few of the honors and services which can be attributed to Jean Hamilton Runyon.



Elizabeth Zoernig, Alpha Omicron

First Woman Officer of Natural Resource Corporation

Elizabeth Zoernig, Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter is the first and only woman to hold office in the Kerr-McGee Corporation based in Oklahoma City. She has been assistant corporate secretary of the Corporation since 1972, and executive secretary since 1946 to Dean A. McGee, now board chairman and chief executive officer.

A native of Oklahoma City, she attended Mills College in Oakland, CA for two years before entering the University of Oklahoma where she became a member of Alpha Omicron chapter.

Kerr-McGee Corporation is a broadly based, natural resource company with principal operations in the four basic energy areas—oil, gas, uranium and coal. Kerr-McGee ranks among the nation's largest industrial corporations.

Elizabeth Zoernig is a past president of the Oklahoma City Chapter of Executive Women International. She has served as regional governor of Mills College for six years. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Historical Preservation, Inc. of Heritage Hills in Oklahoma City. She is listed in *Who's Who in Finance & Industry*, and she is a member of the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce and the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

Marion Hurst

Moving Up in Design Career

Cheerful, efficient, knowledgeable, always willing and able to help; Jeanne Kenaston is the kind of person who can't help but succeed. In the four short years since she arrived fresh from her own design studio in Florida, Jeanne Kenaston has gone from freelance interior design to assistant director of Innerspace, the planning and design division of Seattle's prestigious firm, Bank and Office Interiors. As assistant director, Jeanne assists in supervision of design staff. The firm's main thrust is in facilities planning for large corporate spaces. Jeanne's work includes space programming—designing work space into buildings before those buildings are built; space planning—to determine the most efficient use of existing space; and interior design. She also spends time giving seminars and assisting in marketing for her firm.

Jeanne puts much of her free time into Theta. Her first week in Seattle, she pitched in to help with Flaming Festival. The next year, she co-chaired it! She has been a much relied on member of the Junior Alumnae. Upon her "graduation" from that group, Jeanne was instrumental in founding Theta Sharing, an all-city group for working girls and mothers of young children and any other Thetas who are unable to attend meetings during the day. The program has been a great success. Four times a year the group meets drawing on its own membership for speakers.

When she is not at her office or with her Theta friends, Jeanne is likely to be found on the water. She and her husband purchased a thirty-two foot sailboat and can't get enough of the wind and the sea. She is now taking a ham radio course while her husband is learning celestial navigation in preparation for an extended voyage beginning this summer.

Mary Anderson



Jean Tallman,
Beta Rho

Real Estate Headliner

Jean Tallman, Beta Rho, Duke was named the 1978 "Realtor Associate of the Year" by the Anne Arundel County, Maryland Board of Realtors. This title goes to a person on the basis of achievement in real estate, and the selection committee was most impressed by Jean's personal commitment to the lofty ideals and principles of the Code of Ethics, which govern her conduct with client as well as professional peers, for her many civic activities, her constant striving for additional professional knowledge, and her excellent business accomplishments. Jean Tallman has been licensed in the real estate field since 1968.

FIRST WOMAN BOARD MEMBER AT MA BELLS

Excerpts from the *Cincinnati Enquirer*

Because she has so distinguished herself in business, civic and cultural affairs, Frances Jones Poetker, Alpha Tau Cincinnati is a First Lady of Firsts.

She is the first and only woman member of Cincinnati Bell's board of directors, as well as the first woman to become a director in the entire Bell System. Among the many other prestigious boards to which she has been elected "first woman" are the American Council on Capital Gains and Estate Taxation, the Bethesda Hospital and Deaconess Association and the Society of American Florists. She was the first woman president of the Travel Club of Cincinnati, the oldest travel club in the country.

By profession Frances Poetker is a floriculturist of international reputation. She is the sole owner of Jones the Florist, in Cincinnati. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in botany from Vassar and a masters degree in plant ecology from the University of Cincinnati, and she has traveled worldwide to research, lecture, instruct and commentate.

Frances Poetker frequently writes for national publications and wrote a syndicated newspaper column, "Fun With Flowers" with her husband for 10 years. She coauthored *Wild Wealth* a book on wild flower ecology and gardening and at one time taught botany via a TV station.

Her versatility and talent are felt throughout cultural Cincinnati. She is a co-founder of the Cincinnati Opera Women's Committee and past president of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Women's Committee. She is also on the Cincinnati Historical Society's advisory board, and the Society's recent recital, "Musical Highlights of Early Cincinnati," was the culmination of two years' research and writing by Frances Poetker.

When asked to comment on her specialties she replied, "participation in the life of the community, interior decorating of period homes, lecturing on flower arrangements and the history of flower arrangements and historical gardens and planning interesting and memorable social events."

Her great ambition is to continue writing in the field of ecology until there is a noticeable improvement in solving the many ecological problems throughout the world.



Frances Jones Poetker, Alpha Tau, Cincinnati



Ann Stegner, left and members of Gamma Nu at a reception in her honor.

HEADS MAJOR RETAIL CHAIN

Anne Stegner, Gamma Nu, North Dakota State became president of the Harzfeld chain, a major retail operation with stores in the Kansas City area, Columbia, MO and Oklahoma, in September.

She has had a distinguished career in retail merchandising and operation which began in a training program in 1950 at Rike's department store in Dayton. Before coming to Harzfeld Anne Stegner was vice president and general manager of Bullocks Wilshire, a specialty store in Los Angeles.

With her appointment as president of Harzfeld's Anne Stegner will also be nominated as a vice president of the parent corporation, Garfinckel, Brooks Brothers, Miller & Rhoads, Inc.

Anne Stegner's rise in the business world has not been unnoticed by her alma mater, North Dakota State which honored her with the Alumnae Achievement Award in 1978.

CAMPUS SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Prepared by the Operation Brass Tacks Committee
of the National Panhellenic Editors' Conference

CONTROVERSY no longer attracts attention on most college campuses, say the nation's campus observers. Recruiters from big business are welcomed, not booed off campus as they were a few years ago, and demonstrations and fasts do not interest the student population as a whole.

HIGHER INCOME parents are less willing to pay for their children's college educations than lower income families, according to a recent survey by the College Entrance Examination Board.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS are once more facing incoming freshmen at Harvard, Tulane, Chicago, Northwestern, Missouri, and continuing through a lengthening list of other institutions. Administrators agree that a core curriculum is necessary to academic discipline and comment that today's student is demanding more guidance in his academic program.

ELECTION OF A '78 GRADUATE to the board of trustees is occurring on a sufficient number of the nation's campuses to be called a trend.

WORK PLUS STUDY is a success, according to a study by the University of Texas financial aids office which reports that students who work part-time jobs while attending school do better academically than those who do not work.

INSURANCE DAY at UCLA not only offered information to students on all types of insurance but also career opportunities in the field. The cost to the sponsoring student government was only \$300 for advertising. Insurance Day followed a Bank Day last year.

"OPENINGS" greeted the incoming student population at the University of Utah—a program including activities and entertainment ranging from pie-eating contests and dunking machines to daily outdoor music festivals. Campus Greek, ethnic, religious, and academic clubs and committees sponsored booths and exhibits introducing their functions to the campus.

THE OREGON EXPERIMENT is offering a potentially revolutionary approach to campus planning. In progress since 1974, the plan has a language of its own and offers a step-by-step process so that people who work and study on the campus can get together with University planners, building consultants and administrators to design all new construction and remodeling projects to best meet the needs of every one involved.

WAITING TO REGISTER for classes is traditionally tedious. To pass the time for those waiting in line, Ohio State runs Charlie Chaplin movies from the university's

film library. Disruptive to business?—no, because the films are from the silent era and run about 25 minutes which coincides with an average wait in line.

AN ART TRUCK at the University of South Dakota was inspired by the Freedom Train. Donated to the College of Fine Arts the big semi is currently being used to transport exhibits and theatre productions but in the future will carry the arts throughout the state.

FOSTER PARENTS are students at Eastern Michigan University where dorm space has been allotted to 15 to 18 year olds who live alongside their student foster parents. The students, carefully screened for their responsibility, receive course credit and a monthly stipend. The University shares the program with Pyramid Human Services, Inc.

EXIT TESTING program being initiated at American University requires students to take the test soon after their entrance at the university to ensure that those who fail will have ample time to remediate their problems before reaching graduation.

GREEKS ON CAMPUS—as individuals and groups—are increasingly featured in the nation's alumni publications. Coverage includes honors, pledging, philanthropic activity, campus support projects, and Greek identity is now included in many memorial lists.

EXAMS RAISE BLOOD PRESSURE and should be eliminated because they are hazardous to students' health, according to an Illinois researcher who has conducted a study at DePaul University before, during, and after exams. Apparently less pressure was felt by student who took an exam while music was being played as the rise was less among this group.

A CAMPUS FOOD PREFERENCE student recently showed fresh fruit, soup, and salad rating higher than the All-American hamburger. Food service at Florida State University is offering ten food cards roaming the campus, one featuring fresh fruits and a blender for do-it-yourself liquid concoctions. Residence hall students may also call in an order and have it delivered.

RETAINING STUDENTS is another increasing problem facing administrators. After the superabundance of applicants during the past decade—which immediately filled vacancies left by drop-out, diminishing numbers of new students has made it increasingly important to retain those who want to leave after a year or two or who "want to take a year off."

ENTICING ALUMNI to return to the campus has advanced far beyond "Homecoming." Summer vacation/

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education packages which include the whole family are popular coast to coast, and the University of Colorado Alumni Association with the Boulder Hotel-Motel Association offers alumni a four-day ski package at reduced rates, using the slopes where "CU's champion NCAA ski team trains."

ALCOHOL USE AND ABUSE continues to be a major campus concern with up to 95 per cent using alcohol regularly, frequently to excess. There is no regional pattern; it is everywhere and is considered a significant student health problem.

FOREIGN STUDENT POPULATION in the United States has been increasing steadily since the end of World War II and currently comprises 2% of the student population. According to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, the growing number in graduate programs is causing concern among educators because of curriculum adjustments made to accommodate foreigners' needs.

GIFT CERTIFICATES are available on many campuses for anything from books and supplies to tuition itself.

COMPUTER FRAUD has increased as the use of these mechanical wonders has grown. To aid businesses in stemming the tide of computer misuse the University of Toledo offered a three-day seminar on "How to Protect Your Organization from Computer Fraud, Embezzlement, and Costly Information Leaks."

COST OF PRIVATE COLLEGES has been a matter for much concern as it has continued to rise in recent years. At least one institution has reminded its alumni, however, that the cost of a year's education (tuition, housing, etc) is a smaller percentage of the average parent income than it was in the 'forties.

AUXILIARY SERVICES is the term applied to all of those businesses which have become an integral part of most educational institutions—ranging down the alphabet from airports to word processing and including cookie stands, print shops, faculty clubs, etc. The profits shown by these operations through the years is showing a marked decrease, a fact which is causing still another worry as prices continue to escalate.

THE WRITING CRISIS is being met in different ways, and certainly "freshman English" has returned as a way of life. The University of Montana reported a summer spent teaching teachers to teach writing while others note a shift in departmental emphasis toward expository writing, writing labs to assist those students who "missed it" in junior high and high school, and more full-time faculty members teaching composition. The new *Random House Handbook* illustrates correct punctuation and grammar by using two campus characters, one a mystic and the other a revolutionary.

AN ALUMNA REMINISCES

by Margaret Winey

Editor's Note: Ever so often the mailman leaves an unexpected offering in the box. It is a pleasure to share with other Thetas the warm thoughts of a young woman reflecting on her recent experience as a college Theta.

Being from Massachusetts, I didn't know what college in the Midwest would be like. Would it be different, with a slower pace, and more informal? Uncertain as to the answers to these things, I went to Ann Arbor, Michigan anyway as a junior transfer student.

Ann Arbor . . . the shops, the museums, the concerts and lectures. They were all so available to the student. The excitement of football games, for you and thousands of others. These are some of the outstanding memories I have of college days, and Theta is part of them. As a dorm resident I was isolated. As a Theta I was part of a family. I had no conception of sorority life from my background, having never known any sorority women. But it was right for me then, and I appreciated all the friendships I made during those years.

When alumnae visited us at special occasions, they would always say, "These are the best years of your lives." We would politely agree, secretly hoping we would someday marry and have children, like they did.

Far from neglecting homework, I always spent hours in the library. I remember our house maintained a solid grade-point average, which was encouraging. We all had different interests and talents, too, which made everyone seem so interesting.

I left Ann Arbor after graduation, but it is very close to me after all. I live in a small town in Indiana, where my husband is a seminary student. We are looking forward to a new addition (our first) in the spring. Life in a small town is very different from those bustling college days. I'm so happy Theta was part of my life then, and I also remember "she's with you wherever you are."

REFRIGERATORS have become a near-standard fixture in dorm rooms, so much so that Penn State is considering putting them in each room and raising room rates by \$10 rather than making them available for student rental as an option.

ROOMMATES MAY MAKE CONTRACTS which spell out such things as how furniture and appliances are shared, how expenses are paid, standards of living and conduct regarding smoking, household tasks, etc. The legally binding contracts for off-campus roommates are available through UCLA's residential life office.

Founders' Days, State Days, Anniversaries

Thetas Come Together to Renew Friendships

Thetas Golden Girls Wear The Black and Gold Pansy

Excerpts from a speech by Margaret Curtis Boyce, Alpha Theta, Texas, on the occasion of her fiftieth anniversary as a Theta, at the 1970 Founders' Day luncheon in Austin. Nine years have not altered the verity and appropriateness of her message.

It is an amazing and wonderful thing to be a 50-year Theta, and to have received the tiny black and gold pansy which is the membership award of Theta in recognition of those years.

I am sure that each Theta so honored experienced the same sense of awe that we had been privileged to reach this very special time and place in our lives. The added fact that the National Office of Theta keeps such complete and accurate records of each initiated member came as a delightful surprise—to me, at least; that Theta should climax those fifty years in so charming a way, touched our hearts, and kept them captive.

I find that in times of deep emotion, one looks forward and back over one's life to see how such wonders came about. Memories flood in—the years seem to fall away, and suddenly, one lives over again the delight of pledging Theta; the happiness of becoming one of a group of gracious, intelligent and idealistic girls; the deeper joy of being initiated; the challenge of being a Theta—not just at the University but, as life unfolded and no longer a school girl, I became a wife, a mother and a grandmother.

What shall I, the initiate of 1920, say to the initiates of 1970? I can see them now, almost as if I were there. They are young, glowing with happiness that they are now initiated; facing a sometimes confused world (as it seems each generation must), but in the pride of the responsibility that is now theirs, facing the world with steady eyes, with confident hearts, with faith and hope and dedication, for so must each generation face the life that is uniquely theirs and make it fine; these young girls hold the future in their hands!

I would like to tell them that when the mantle of Theta falls about their shoulders, they become a part of the heart of Theta. As their lives unfold, they will realize with gratitude, as I did, that Theta is not for just a moment of youth, but for all of life. The ideals of Theta will continue to challenge us as long as we live; the love of Theta will continue to comfort, strengthen, and sustain us. We who wear the small black and gold pansies salute you, the initiates of 1970; we are proud of you and wish you well in all that you undertake.



Agnes Hall, New Jersey State Chairman, and Betty Waller, president of the North Jersey Alumnae Club at the State Day Luncheon.

Thetas from throughout New Jersey gathered in Princeton last May to renew old acquaintances and hear from two Grand Council members what is happening in Theta world. Grand Vice-President, Marge Schnacke discussed extension plans for establishing new college chapters. Carol Brehman, member-at-large, Grand Council; and Alumnae District President, Joan Mossey conducted workshops on membership, rush and alumnae programing.

Milestone Celebrations Planned

Eta chapter at Michigan will be 100 years old in December. Historical footnotes tell us that Alpha chapter had been seeking extension possibilities in Michigan for a number of years, when in October 1879, letters were received from young men at Ann Arbor, naming a group of girls at the University of Michigan who would "entertain a proposition" from Kappa Alpha Theta. The result was that Emma Blake, Alpha went to Ann Arbor to initiate the six girls who became the first members of Eta.

Two chapters reach their 75th Anniversary this year. Alpha Eta, Vanderbilt; and Alpha Theta, Texas, the 1904 duo of chapters admitted to Kappa Alpha Theta will celebrate with special events during 1979.

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We regret the erroneous report of the death of Frances Hathaway Worm, Syracuse 1925 and Anne K. Koelle McCann, Washington-St. Louis 1961, printed in the Winter Issue of the *Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

Theta Book Nook



Dorothy Warner Trebilcock,
Beta Pi

Shield of Innocence by Dorothy Warner Trebilcock, Beta Pi, Michigan State, Major Books 1978.

"Find yourself a young lawyer with a lot of time on his hands." Such was the advice given by a State Prosecutor in 1959 to the sister of a man who had already served five years in prison for a crime that never happened! The author's inspirational detailing of the emotional account of the young lawyer and his struggle with an Establishment reluctant to admit it had made a mistake, is a true story by one who lived very close to the fifteen-month odyssey.

Robert H. Warner, the young lawyer who took on the task of overturning the conviction in a case that the Detroit Free Press called "a shadow on Michigan justice" is the brother of Dorothy Warner Trebilcock, a veteran free-lancer writer.

Fresh from the University of Michigan Law School, Robert Warner with "time on his hands" plunged into the case that took him from the bleakness of Southern Michigan Prison to the front pages of the Detroit Free Press and, ultimately to the office of Governor G. Mennen Williams. The young lawyer had to overcome of-

These Tigers' Hearts by Jane Land, Doubleday and Co.

This novel of romantic suspense by Jane Land takes its title from a Shakespearean heroine so brave that "hers was the heart of a tiger." The description also fits Astra Padgett, the heroine of *These Tigers' Hearts*, who rejects a comfortable life to enter Florence Nightingale's School of Nursing in London. When she agrees to follow a fellow nurse who has married an Austrian doctor to Vienna and assist in the opening of a school of nursing, Astra's courage is put to the test.

She is left without resources in a city where she does not even speak the language, where her friends fail to appear as planned. After a Polish nobleman engages her as nurse to his motherless daughter, recovering from polio, Astra becomes involved in the aristocratic family's intrigues and their part in the political conflicts of Poland. The Count is seriously wounded, so he insists that the "nurse" marry him to protect the young daughter should he not survive. But the valiant English woman nurses him back to health, hides her jealousy of a beautiful cousin whom she thinks he loves, and escapes the threat of poison by a sinister servant.

Because the marriage seems a mockery, she plans to become a nursing administrator in a convent. But reunion with her friend of nursing school and learning that her husband wants her to return to life as his wife are the reward of her valor.

Jane Land is Kathryn Kilby Borland, Lambda, Vermont. Her book weaves an absorbing story of a Victorian lady who dares to follow a profession considered shocking in her time, to find success and love. Other books by Jane Land: *To Walk the Night*, and *Strangers in the Mirror*.

Jean Cuykendall Saunders

Dorothy Shaftner, the author of two novels for girls, *Kim in Style*, 1968; and *Kim Fashions a Career*, 1971 is a graduate of Ohio State and a member of Alpha Gamma chapter. The publisher is G. P. Putnam and Sons, New York. Dorothy Shaftner's fashion career has included writing advertising and publicity for fashion agencies, and fashion magazines and she was one time fashion coordinator for Macy's. The two books recount the adventures and struggles of Kim Merriman as she worked her way into a fashion career in San Francisco.

official hostility and was forced to challenge every legality, every court ruling, every aspect of evidence that had convicted an innocent man. It is a chilling story for the simple reason that a tragic miscarriage of justice could happen to anyone.

Dorothy Trebilcock lives in Midland, MI with her husband and two children. She teaches writing at Delta College and Saginaw Valley College and off-campus for Michigan State University.

NPC Interim Meeting In Kansas City

Internal Business and Tentative Future Plans on Agenda

The National Panhellenic Conference met in Kansas City December 3-6, in an interim session called to revise and update the *Manual of Information* and "How To" For College Panhellenics. Kappa Alpha Theta was represented by NPC Delegate Norma Jorgensen, Grand President Marie Fitz, First Alternate and Second Alternate Joyce Cordon. The proposals for change were submitted by a Revision Committee chaired by Myra Foxworthy, Alpha Gamma Delta, following several months of study. Joyce Cordon served on the Committee.

The Standards of Ethical Conduct were amended to delete unnecessary and inappropriate provisions and to clarify extension and rushing procedures. A new statement was added to the College Panhellenics Agreement providing that College Panhellenics' Constitutions and Bylaws must conform to the Unanimous Agreements of NPC and that members shall respect and obey the spirit of all Unanimous Agreements made by member fraternities of NPC.

In other business, the Executive Committee was authorized to designate an Insurance Administrator to formulate a proposal for a group major medical insurance program which would be available to all members of NPC fraternities. This proposal will be presented to the Conference at the biennial meeting in the fall.

Dean of Student Services at Indiana University, Thomas C. Schrench, described efforts to establish a Center for the Study of the College Fraternity. It is proposed that such a Center be established at Indiana to include a national resource library, educational programs such as workshops, research, publications and consultations. The Center would seek Foundation and other funding and be supervised by a coordinating board consisting of representatives of educational and interfraternity organizations, two college presidents and two faculty members. The Conference endorsed this concept in principle.

Over the DESKTOP



Bettie Locke Hamilton is back in Central Office . . . her portrait that is. After a mysterious disappearance of nine years and the miraculous return to Alpha chapter as reported in the Winter Theta Magazine, this lovely painting is now in its permanent home in CO. In the recent enlarging and redecorating of the Theta office in Evanston, a perfect place was found for this Fraternity treasure in the reception area. Drop in at 801 Davis Street any time you are in Evanston. And now with apologies to Chi chapter for incorrectly identifying Bettie Locke Hamilton's portraitist as a member of Alpha. Joan Jobson Grisell, Chi, writes that her cousin, the artist Virginia Cuthbert Elliot is also a member of the Syracuse chapter.

A Reasonable Expectation

While it is generally conceded that official Stanford's view of the return of sororities is a little "standoffish," anyone who understands the stated purposes and historical nature of women's fraternities, can only approve the stipulation that "sororities be kept in an educational perspective, and that involvement of women students with sororities must fit into the Stanford experience and not be apart from it." What better guidelines could we ask? Such a declaration is supportive of the aims and *raison d'être* of any women's fraternity we know about.

Whew!

From the Beta Theta chapter in Idaho we received a note from Robin Pomeroy telling about her immediate success as a dancing teacher. This 19 year old student of clothing, textiles and design, is the proprietor of two dancing schools in Idaho and teaches dance in Clarkston, WA. Her curriculum offers tap, ballet, jazz and disco dancing, the latter enrolling 67 students. We add, she is also the Alumnae Relations Chairman of her chapter.

Golden Girls

An unusual Theta group which has possibilities for 50 year Thetas in larger cities where there is likely to be a growing number of these hardy, venerable ladies, is the Fifty Year Theta group of Oklahoma City. This group boasts 28 members (last year's count) who meet at members' homes twice a year in October and April. This group is not separate from the Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter, but an adjunct to it.

Thetas in Neutral

Just in case you picked up the (AP) dispatch making the rounds on October 23 or thereabouts which concerned the projected effect on sororities of the passage of the ERA, be assured that your fraternity has taken no position on this political issue. It is the policy of Kappa Alpha Theta not to take a stand for or against any legislation. For that matter it has long been the view of fraternity officers that an apolitical stance is essential for an organization of voluntary association whose members represent a wide spectrum of philosophies and opinion. While the ERA does pose a threat to the exclusion . . . granted by Congress which allows college fraternities and sororities to operate as single sex organizations, members as individuals will make their own judgments on the merits of the campaign for Equal Rights.



Theta Concern

FOUNDATION TO BE FUNDING SPONSOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF LOGOPEDICS RESEARCH PROGRAM

Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation has pledged \$50,000 through 1980, committing itself as one of the Founding Sponsors of a research program at the Institute of Logopedics. The thrust of the research effort will be the development of new knowledge of speech and hearing handicapping conditions and remedial approaches.

Frank R. Kleffner, Ph.D., Director of the Institute since June 1976, spoke at the 1978 Grand Convention, outlining new programs planned by the Wichita facility.

"The program of research is designed to improve the quality of services provided the communicatively handicapped, and to advance the knowledge of the professions serving this population. The development of a funded and staffed research program is essential if the Institute of Logopedics is to retain its leadership position in the emerging picture of education of the handicapped," he explained.

Kappa Alpha Theta has a 35 year history of association with the Institute, a treatment center for those with communication disorders. In 1944 Grand Council voted assistance to the Institute in Wichita, then only ten years old. It was adopted as the fraternity's national philanthropy by vote of the 1946 Grand Convention.

Programming at the Institute has changed over the years, tailored to the needs of its clients, and Theta funding has been coordinated to a variety of projects.

Based in Wichita, Kansas, the Institute of Logopedics draws patients from diverse locations throughout the United States, and housing is needed for residential patients. Theta Court, a \$120,000 residential complex for children receiving treatment, was built in 1952. A capital fund of \$60,000, managed by the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation, provides for continued maintenance of the Theta Court, and funds are dispersed annually.

Later the Occupational Therapy Department received Theta dollars until it became self-supporting. Since 1961 nearly \$475,000 has been contributed through the Foundation to the Evaluation Center which is staffed by a team of specialists who evaluate patients' medical and psychological problems and recommend treatment.

Now the Institute is preparing to launch a new Research Department, returning to a field that had great



A 3 week old infant, who has been judged to be "at risk" is sedated for Electric Response Audiometry testing. As she sleeps, click sounds are introduced through earphones to determine levels of hearing. Electrodes on the forehead and sides of the head are attached to monitor the response to sound stimulus.

impetus from Dr. Martin F. Palmer, who founded the Institute in 1934.

According to Dr. Kleffner, the current Director, "The most needed research, and the type of research for which the Institute is best suited, is that focusing on and growing out of direct clinical and educational services."

Careful planning is essential in initiating this research effort. The potential research frontier relevant to serving the communicatively handicapped is a continuum which extends from purely behavioral emphasis (learning, memory, performance) at one extreme, to the biological emphasis (neurological, physiological, genetic) at the other.

To achieve an effective focus for the program, a team of carefully selected research consultants will be invited to aid the Institute of Logopedics staff in selecting a point on that continuum which potentially could prove the most productive. Theta contributions during 1979 will help underwrite this planning phase.



Theta Concern



Testing the hearing of children is an everyday occurrence at the Institute and a basic step in the evaluation of communicative disorders.

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Once a focus is established, the staff will then be chosen. Initially, the program will be staffed with an experienced research director, a junior research assistant, and clerical support. This staff will establish the broad program design, delineate specific research projects, and begin implementation of studies. Support for initial research projects and grants to graduate students involved as the program develops will come from funds donated by the Founding Sponsors. By 1982 the research program is expected to be self-sustaining through grants for specific research studies.

Thetas and the Institute of Logopedics take pride in their long association. Funds of \$685,000 have been contributed by the fraternity and the Foundation since 1944.

Wichita Thetas Key Ingredient to Success

Wichita Thetas have been generous with their time and talents. The Wichita Alumnae Chapter is currently involved in a project to redecorate and refurbish the Theta Court; their fall antique show will benefit this project.

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Dr. Hallowell Davis, key scientist in the development of Electric Response Audiometry and Director Emeritus of Research Programs, consults with David Herring, Chief Audiologist with the Institute of Logopedics, on the application of the sophisticated new diagnostic equipment recently installed by the Institute.

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